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Was / Were



Language focus

Was / Were are the positive past simple forms of **be**. **Wasn't / Weren't** are the negative past simple forms of **be**. Use **was / were / wasn't / weren't** to talk about:

places: We **were** on the beach.

feelings: Mum **was** tired.

people: My aunt **was** a film star.

I / He / She **was / wasn't** hot yesterday.

You / We / They **were / weren't** in the park all day.



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Put the sentences into the past. Use *was / were*.

1 There is a small shark, too! There was a small shark, too!

2 I'm scared! _____

3 We're at the beach. _____

4 There are dolphins, seals and turtles in the sea. _____

5 It's hot. _____

6 I'm in the sea in my new swimsuit. _____



2 Make your answers in Activity 1 negative.

1 There **wasn't** a small shark.

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3 Order the sentences in Activity 1 to make a story. More than one order is possible.

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4 Complete the text with *was*, *were*, *wasn't* or *weren't*.

Yesterday (1) was a busy day!
We (2) _____ in the park in the morning. There (3) _____ a football match, but there (4) _____ many goals. Only one! In the afternoon we (5) _____ at my cousin's house. There (6) _____ cheese sandwiches, but there (7) _____ any cake this time. In the evening we (8) _____ at the cinema to see that new film about life under the sea. It (9) _____ very interesting!
(10) We _____ all very tired at the end of the day.

