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Where were you born?

1 Complete the conversation. Use the sentences in the box.



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| <input type="checkbox"/> I was sixteen. | <input type="checkbox"/> No, it wasn't. I loved it! |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No, I wasn't. I was born in Europe. | <input type="checkbox"/> No, I'm from Belgium. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> We came here for my father's job. | <input type="checkbox"/> We moved here in 2009. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I was born in Brussels. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, they were. We were all born there. |

Jason: Were you born here in the U.S., Marie?

Marie: No, I wasn't. I was born in Europe.

Jason: Oh, were you born in France?

Marie: _____

Jason: Really? What city were you born in?

Marie: _____

Jason: Were your parents born in Brussels, too?

Marie: _____

Jason: And why did you come to the U.S.?

Marie: _____

Jason: So when did you move here?

Marie: _____

Jason: Really? How old were you then?

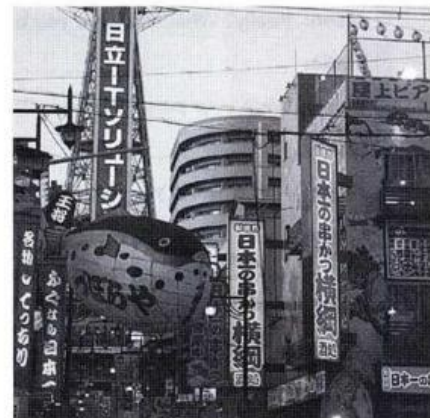
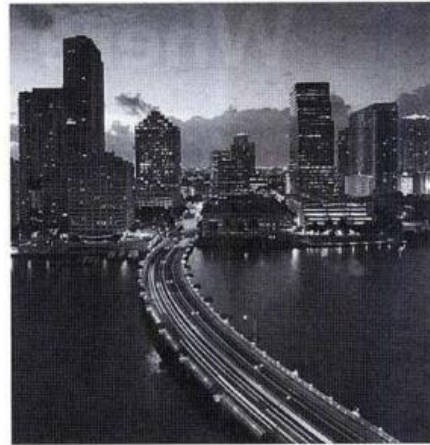
Marie: _____

Jason: Was it scary?

Marie: _____

2 Complete these conversations with **was**, **wasn't**, **were**, or **weren't**.

1. **Sandra:** Were you born in the U.S., Ivan?
Ivan: Yes, I _____. My brother and I _____ born here in Miami.
Sandra: I _____ born here, too. What about your parents? _____ they born here?
Ivan: Well, my father _____. He _____ born in Cuba, but my mother _____ born in the U.S. – in Detroit.
Sandra: Detroit? Really? My parents _____ born in Detroit, too!
2. **Kristin:** I called you on Saturday, but you _____ home.
Jennifer: No, I _____. I _____ at the beach all weekend.
Kristin: That's nice. How _____ the weather there?
Jennifer: It _____ beautiful.
Kristin: _____ your parents there?
Jennifer: No, they _____. I _____ with my sister. It _____ great!
3. **Mindy:** _____ you in college last year, Alan?
Alan: No, I _____. I graduated from college two years ago.
Mindy: So where _____ you last year?
Alan: I _____ in Japan.
Mindy: Oh! _____ you in Tokyo?
Alan: No, I _____. I _____ in Osaka. I had a job there.
Mindy: What _____ the job?
Alan: I _____ an English teacher.



3 Write four sentences about each person.

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1 Marie Curie, scientist (1867–1934)

- born in Poland
- won Nobel Prizes in 1903 and 1911



2 Gabriel García Márquez, author (1927–2014)

- born in Colombia
- wrote *One Hundred Years of Solitude*, 1967



3 Maya Angelou, author (1928–2014)

- born in the U.S.
- wrote *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, 1969



4 Pat Morita, actor (1932–2005)

- born in the U.S.
- was in the movie *The Karate Kid*, 1984



5 Grace Kelly, actress (1929–1982)

- born in the U.S.
- married Prince Rainier III of Monaco, 1956



6 Salvador Dalí, artist (1904–1989)

- born in Spain
- painted *The Persistence of Memory*, 1931

1. Marie Curie was a scientist. She was born in 1867 in Poland.
She won Nobel Prizes in 1903 and 1911. She died in 1934.
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

4 Complete these questions. Use the words in the box.

☐ How ☐ How old ☒ What ☐ When ☐ Where ☐ Who ☐ Why

1. A: _____ What _____ was your favorite subject in high school?
B: It was art.
2. A: _____ was your favorite teacher?
B: My art teacher, Mrs. Heintz.
3. A: _____ did you graduate from high school?
B: In 2006.
4. A: _____ did you go to college?
B: I went to Duke University.
5. A: _____ did you study physics?
B: Because I wanted to become an astronaut!
6. A: _____ were your professors in college?
B: They were great.
7. A: _____ were you when you graduated?
B: I was 22 years old.

5 Write whether each sentence is *true* or *false*. Correct the false sentences.



1. Students usually go to middle school before elementary school. www.irLanguage.com
False. Students usually go to middle school after elementary school. /
Students usually go to elementary school before middle school.
2. Students often study in the library.

3. Students never eat lunch in the cafeteria.

4. Physical education classes are almost always in an auditorium.

5. Students usually study history and science in high school.

6 Unscramble the questions about your elementary school days. Then answer with your own information.



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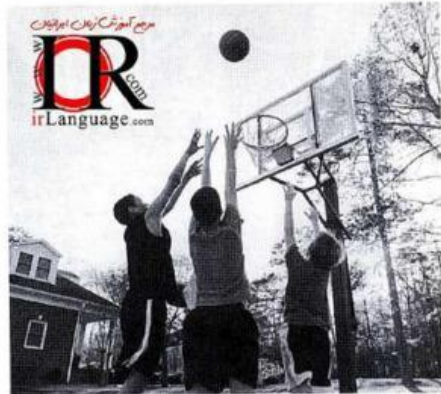
1. was your of school how first day
A: How was your first day of school?
B: _____
2. your was teacher who favorite
A: _____
B: _____
3. favorite was your what class
A: _____
B: _____
4. your who best were friends
A: _____
B: _____
5. spend did your where you free time
A: _____
B: _____
6. leave did when you elementary school
A: _____
B: _____

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7 Childhood memories

A Complete the questions with *did*, *was*, or *were*. Then answer the questions. Use short answers.

1. A: Were you born here?
B: Yes, I was. / No, I wasn't.
2. A: _____ you grow up in a big city?
B: _____
3. A: _____ you play sports?
B: _____
4. A: _____ your home near your school?
B: _____
5. A: _____ you ride a bus to school?
B: _____
6. A: _____ you a good student?
B: _____
7. A: _____ your teachers nice?
B: _____
8. A: _____ you have a lot of friends?
B: _____
9. A: _____ your grandparents live near you?
B: _____
10. A: _____ both your parents work?
B: _____



B Write sentences about your childhood.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____