# was/were

### A

last night                now



Now Robert **is** at work.

At midnight last night he **wasn't** at work.

He **was** in bed.
He **was** asleep.

**am/is** (present) → **was** (past):
- ○ I **am** tired.  (now)
- ○ Where **is** Kate?  (now)
- ○ The weather **is** good today.

- I **was** tired **last night**.
- Where **was** Kate **yesterday**?
- The weather **was** good **last week**.

**are** (present) → **were** (past):
- ○ You **are** late.  (now)
- ○ They **aren't** here.  (now)

- You **were** late **yesterday**.
- They **weren't** here **last Sunday**.

### B

| positive | | | negative | | | question | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| I<br>he<br>she<br>it | **was** | | I<br>he<br>she<br>it | **was not**<br>(**wasn't**) | | **was** | I?<br>he?<br>she?<br>it? | |
| we<br>you<br>they | **were** | | we<br>you<br>they | **were not**<br>(**weren't**) | | **were** | we?<br>you?<br>they? | |

- ○ Last year Rachel **was** 22, so she **is** 23 now.
- ○ When I **was** a child, I **was** scared of dogs.
- ○ We **were** hungry after the journey, but we **weren't** tired.
- ○ The hotel **was** comfortable, but it **wasn't** expensive.

- ○ **Was** the weather nice when you **were** on holiday?
- ○ Your shoes are nice.  **Were** they expensive?
- ○ Why **were** you late this morning?

### C

Short answers

| Yes, | I/he/she/it  **was**. | | No, | I/he/she/it  **wasn't**. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | we/you/they  **were**. | | | we/you/they  **weren't**. |

- ○ '**Were you** late?'   'No, I **wasn't**.'
- ○ '**Was Tom** at work yesterday?'   'Yes, he **was**.'
- ○ '**Were Sue and Steve** at the party?'   'No, they **weren't**.'

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