


past simple of *be*: *was*, *were*

2 A  The sentences below have a mistake. Choose the best option to correct the mistake.

- 1 Tamara and John aren't at work yesterday.
a was b wasn't c weren't
- 2 Alice is at home last night.
a was b were c weren't
- 3 Was you on holiday last month?
a Were b Wasn't c Weren't
- 4 We weren't at our friend's house last weekend. It was great.
a was b were c wasn't

B Complete the sentences and questions with one word in each gap.

- 1 Where _____ you yesterday?
- 2 James _____ very happy as a child.
- 3 When _____ the first World Cup?
- 4 Mark and Sylvie _____ on holiday last week. It was really nice for them.
- 5 A: _____ you in class yesterday?
B: No, I _____. I _____ at work.
- 6 When _____ Mark Zuckerberg born?
- 7 My parents _____ born in Germany. They _____ born in Poland.
- 8 Sandrine _____ at home last night. She _____ at the cinema.
- 9 Where _____ the first Olympics?
- 10 The 2016 Olympics _____ in London. They _____ in Rio de Janeiro.

C Choose the correct words to complete the fact file.

Surprising facts: HISTORY

- The first photographic cameras ¹was / were around in the 18th century, and they ²was / were very slow. Sometimes it ³was / were thirty minutes to take a photo!
- The Olympic games are only sports these days, but they ⁴were / weren't always like that. From 1912 to 1948, there ⁵was / were prizes for art, too.
- Most people think Cleopatra was Egyptian, but she ⁶wasn't / weren't. She ⁷was / were born in Egypt, but her family ⁸were / weren't Greek.
- Many people think the Model T Ford ⁹was / were the first car, but it wasn't. It ¹⁰was / were Carl Benz's design from 1879.