When do we use...WAS or WERE? (x7) We use WAS for something singular; we use WERE for a plural. Singular means one; plural means more than one. the king the mice they the cats , my sister your friends my dog his shoes! the queen We use WERE with YOU, because YOU can be plural or singular (X2). You very cheeky, you naughty dogs. You amazing my little cat. You all in trouble, boys and girls. You very beautiful your majesty. the window The footballers the carrot , my bag , the King and the chairs , the mouse , my pencil: queen! , the clocks , an ant , your drink the cars , the swimming pool , my thoughts ____