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LESSON 36: Fact or Fiction?

- **Theme:** *People and Culture*

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Digital Quiz

GRAMMAR HELP

was/were, could/couldn't

Explanation	Example
was is for singular subjects	She **was** in Japan last month. She **wasn't** in Taiwan.
were is for plural subjects	They **were** hungry. They **weren't** thirsty.
We use ***could*** to talk about ability and possibility in the past.	I **could** read when I was five. I **couldn't** cook when I was nine.

Question	Short answer (Affirmative)	Short answer (Negative)
Was the shop open?	Yes, it **was**.	No, it **wasn't**.
Were the novels interesting?	Yes, they **were**.	No, they **weren't**.
Could he recite the poem?	Yes, he **could**.	No, he **couldn't**.

A. Underline the correct answers.

1 He wasn't/weren't in a hurry to go home.
2 My mother was/were really tired last night.
3 They wasn't/weren't afraid to go into the dark cave.
4 I was/were at my favourite author's book-signing event yesterday.
5 J.K. Rowling was/were an English teacher before she became a famous author.

B. Fill in the blanks with 'could' or 'couldn't'.

1 _____ you understand what the man was saying?
2 Cole _____ swim like a fish a few years ago, but now he can't.
3 They _____ find the cat because it was hiding under the white car.
4 I _____ speak French when I was in school. Now I speak it like a native.
5 Last Monday, I was late to school because my father _____ find his car keys.

C. Write answers to the following sentences. The first one has been done for you.

1 Was the museum closed? (short answer – negative)
No, it wasn't.

2 Were the movies exciting? (short answer – positive)

3 Could the girls write their essays? (short answer – positive)

4 Could he go to the library? (short answer – negative)

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