

Smart planet grammar. Unit 7

Grammar 1

was/were

"Pompeii **was** a very busy town."

affirmative	negative
I / He / She / It was .	I / He / She / It wasn't .
We / You / They were .	We / You / They weren't .

questions	short answers
Was I / he / she / it?	Yes, I / he / she / it was . No, I / he / she / it wasn't .
Were we / you / they?	Yes, we / you / they were . No, we / you / they weren't .

Cuidado!!!! "Was" "were" significa "era" o "estaba"

I was > yo era	yo estaba
You were > tu eras	tu estabas
He was > él era	él estaba
She was > ella era	ella estaba
It was > eso era	eso estaba
We were > nosotr@s éramos	nosotr@s estábamos
You were > vosotros eráis	vosotros estabáis
They were > ell@s eran	ell@s estaban

Cuidado : there was > había + algo singular

There were> había + algo plural

There was a cat > había un gato

There were many cats > había muchos gatos

5 Complete the questions

Complete the questions with *was* or *were*. Then ask and answer them with a partner.

A: *Was there a football match on TV last night?*

B: *No, there wasn't.*



- 1 there a football match on TV last night?
- 2 there any tests or exams last week?
- 3 there a lot of homework to do last weekend?



Was or were

2 *Stratford was ...*

Read the blog. Choose the correct words.

Until recently, in Stratford, east London, the river dirty
and the buildings old and empty. It a nice
place. But in 2012 Stratford the home of the London
Olympics. We surprised because Stratford
completely different. The Olympic Park new and green
and I very excited!

4 Complete and write

Complete the questions with *was* or *were*. Then write short answers.

Were The Beatles popular in the 1960s?

Yes, they were.

- 1 Buzz Lightyear the first man on the Moon?
- 2 the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing?
- 3 there supermarkets in ancient Rome?
- 4 there internet in 1960?
- 5 Penélope Cruz in the Bond film *Skyfall*?



3 there was/there were

Complete the sentences with the correct form of *there was* or *there were*.

In 2012 there were big celebrations in London for the Olympics. ✓

1 Before the Olympics any modern buildings in Stratford. X

2 a lot of interesting things at the museum. ✓

3 a sports centre for young people in my village until recently. X

4 an important match at the football stadium on Sunday. ✓

5 many people at the new shopping centre. X



Grammar 2

Past simple: regular verbs

"We **played** tennis yesterday."

past simple regular verbs

I / You /
He / She / It /
We / You / They

played tennis yesterday after school.

Cuidado !!! Los verbos regulares en pasado se forman añadiendo "ed" o "d" a su forma infinitiva.

Ejemplo

I play > yo juego I played > yo jugué

Past simple: spelling

- We add **-ed** to most verbs to form the past simple.
show - showed play - played
- For verbs ending in **-e**, we add **-d**.
live - lived like - liked
- For verbs ending in **consonant + y**, we remove the **y** and add **-ied**.
study - studied
- For verbs ending in **consonant + vowel + consonant**, we double the final consonant and add **-ed**.
shop - shopped stop - stopped

Cuidado !!!! Los verbos que terminan en “y”, como “study”, añaden “ed” pero pierden la “y” que se convierte en “i”.

Pero “play” también termina en “y” no pierde la “y” porque delante de la “y” hay una vocal.

Verbos que pierden la “y” : study, tidy....

Yo estudié Inglés > I studied English

El recogió su cuarto < he tidied his bedroom

Cuidado!!! Algunos verbos cortos como “shop” and “stop” que terminan en una consonante añaden “ed” pero también doblan la última consonante.

Verbos como “shop” o “stop”

Nosotros fuimos de compra > we shopped

Vosotros parastéis > you stopped

1 Past simple: regular verbs

Click on the Help button to look at the spelling rules. Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs below. Then listen and check.

stay • tidy • play • watch • study • shop



1 We football for three hours yesterday.

2 We a great film on TV last night.

3 I my bedroom yesterday.

4 I for an exam last weekend.

5 I for food with my mum last week.

6 We up really late on Saturday night.



2 Read and complete

Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets. Are the sentences true or false?

1 Roman children board games similar to games we play today. (play)

2 The ancient Chinese the Sun, Moon and stars. (study)

3 In 1969 the world Neil Armstrong walk on the Moon. (watch)

4 Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin on the Moon for about 20 hours. (stay)

5 Christopher Columbus in the Bahamas in 1692. (arrive)

6 Columbus to go to Australia, not America. (plan)

7 Barack Obama his bedroom every day when he was a child. (tidy)

8 The Vikings America in the year 1100. (discover)



Past simple: irregular verbs

"We **went** to the shopping centre."

past simple irregular verbs

I / You
He / She / It
We / You / They

went for a pizza with friends.
saw my friend at Art class.

Cuidado ¡!!! Otros verbos no son regulares y su forma en pasado es irregular. Hay que aprender la lista.

PRESENT	PAST	
be	was/were	Ser
become	became	Llegar a ser
begin	began	Empezar
come	came	Venir
do	did	Hacer
drink	drank	Beber
eat	ate	Comer
find	found	Encontrar
give	gave	Dar
go	went	Ir
have	had	Tener
know	knew	Saber
learn	learnt	Aprender
leave	left	Irse
make	made	Hacer
say	said	Decir
see	saw	Ver
take	took	Coger
think	thought	Pensar
write	wrote	Escribir
Read	read	Leer
Buy	bought	Comprar
Put	put	Poner
Take	took	Coger

4 Complete the sentences

Complete the sentences with the verbs below.



read came drank travelled made lived liked

1 There isn't any cola. Luke it all yesterday.

2 We around Europe after we left school.

3 I breakfast in bed for my parents this morning.

4 My surprise party was great! I really it!

5 The first book I was *Harry Potter and The Philosopher's Stone*.

6 Grandma to visit yesterday. She's staying for a week.

7 I in Paris for a year, but my French isn't very good.



4 Read and complete

Complete the text with the verbs below.

went saw did ate bought put took had

Last month I to Paris by train with my mum. We a lot of fun things. We the *Mona Lisa* in the Louvre Museum, and the Eiffel Tower, and we a boat down the River Seine at night. I a lot of crepes with chocolate (delicious!) I a great T-shirt (only 10€!) at a street market, too. We a fantastic time and yesterday I some photos on Facebook for my friends to see.



4 Past simple (regular and irregular verbs)

Complete the text with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

Yesterday [] (be) a very difficult day. I
[] (get) up late and I []
(miss) the bus. I [] (go) to school by bike.
The teacher [] (be) angry with me because I
[] (arrive) late. He []
(give) me a lot of extra homework. It []
(not be) fair! After class I [] (play) football
with my friends and we [] (forget) the
time. So we [] (be) late for our class in the
afternoon. Extra homework again!

