

## PAST SIMPLE

*was / were*

Ex. 1 Complete the sentences with **was** or **were**.

1. The story \_\_\_\_\_ about a princess and a witch.
2. My cousin and I \_\_\_\_\_ at the zoo last Friday.
3. Our teacher \_\_\_\_\_ very tired yesterday.
4. You \_\_\_\_\_ late for school last Friday.
5. We \_\_\_\_\_ lucky because we caught the train.
6. Mum and dad \_\_\_\_\_ in the theatre last night.
7. Harry \_\_\_\_\_ in London in 2008.
8. The dogs \_\_\_\_\_ in the park.
9. Sarah and Carla \_\_\_\_\_ best friends.
10. There \_\_\_\_\_ five children on the street.

Ex. 2 Put the words in the right order.

1. ill / Adam / week / was / last / ?  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Carl / the / at / I / were / and / party / .  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. the / ? / good / was / weather  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. kids / the / all / school / were / at / .  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Turkey / holiday / was / on / I / in / .  
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Ex. 3 Make questions with was or were. Use the cues.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Carl / born / in Madrid ?
2. \_\_\_\_\_ the lunch / good ?
3. \_\_\_\_\_ you / in Los Angeles ?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ the weather / nice ?
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Liam / ill / last night ?
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Joe and Mike / on a party?
7. \_\_\_\_\_ they / in the cinema /  
yesterday ?

***could / couldn't***

Ex. 4 Complete the following sentences using **could** or **couldn't**.

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ dress myself when I was a baby.
2. Peter \_\_\_\_\_ do his homework yesterday because he was sick.
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ watch the TV last night because I had no homework.
4. We \_\_\_\_\_ go to the beach last Saturday because it was  
raining.
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ make my own lunch when I was 12 years old.
6. They \_\_\_\_\_ find the rabbit because it was hiding behind the  
tree.
7. Beethoven \_\_\_\_\_ play the piano when he was 5.
8. We \_\_\_\_\_ answer all the questions in the exam because we  
had studied very hard.