

**Exercise I.-Complete the missing spaces with was, were, is or are.****CHANGING CITIES****1. New York City**

**Past:** Fifty years ago, there \_\_\_\_\_ a large open space where Central Park is now. There \_\_\_\_\_ many small shops and fewer skyscrapers in Manhattan.

**Present:** Today, there \_\_\_\_\_ a huge, beautiful park called Central Park. There \_\_\_\_\_ many tall skyscrapers and large shopping centers in Manhattan.

**2. Tokyo**

**Past:** In the 1950s, there \_\_\_\_\_ a small train station in Shibuya. There \_\_\_\_\_ only a few tall buildings and many traditional houses.

**Present:** Now, there \_\_\_\_\_ a large, busy train station in Shibuya. There \_\_\_\_\_ many tall, modern buildings and lots of neon lights.

**3. Paris**

**Past:** A hundred years ago, there \_\_\_\_\_ a large open market where the Eiffel Tower stands now. There \_\_\_\_\_ many small cafes and fewer tourists.

**Present:** Today, there \_\_\_\_\_ the famous Eiffel Tower attracting many visitors. There \_\_\_\_\_ many cafes, but they are crowded with tourists now.

**4. Dubai**

**Past:** Thirty years ago, there \_\_\_\_\_ a small fishing village where the city of Dubai is now. There \_\_\_\_\_ few buildings and lots of desert.

**Present:** Now, there \_\_\_\_\_ a bustling, modern city with many tall skyscrapers. There \_\_\_\_\_ luxurious hotels and large shopping malls.

*"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men"*

*Colossians 3: 23*