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Was / Were



Language focus

Was / Were are the positive past simple forms of **be**. **Wasn't / Weren't** are the negative past simple forms of **be**. Use **was / were / wasn't / weren't** to talk about:

places: We **were** on the beach.

feelings: Mum **was** tired.

people: My aunt **was** a film star.

I / He / She **was / wasn't** hot yesterday.

You / We / They **were / weren't** in the park all day.



1 Put the sentences into the past. Use *was / were*.

- 1 There is a small shark, too! There was a small shark, too!
- 2 I'm scared! _____
- 3 We're at the beach. _____
- 4 There are dolphins, seals and turtles in the sea. _____
- 5 It's hot. _____
- 6 I'm in the sea in my new swimsuit. _____



2 Make your answers in Activity 1 negative.

1 There **wasn't** a small shark.

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3 Order the sentences in Activity 1 to make a story. More than one order is possible.

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4 Complete the text with *was*, *were*, *wasn't* or *weren't*.

Yesterday (1) was a busy day!

We (2) _____ in the park in the morning. There (3) _____ a football match, but there (4) _____ many goals. Only one! In the afternoon we

(5) _____ at my cousin's house. There

(6) _____ cheese sandwiches, but there

(7) _____ any cake this time. In the evening we (8) _____ at the cinema

to see that new film about life under the sea. It (9) _____ very interesting!

(10) We _____ all very tired at the end of the day.

