

GRAMMAR**I. Complete the text with was / wasn't or were / weren't**

Jenny goes to the National University of Bogota in Colombia. She is an environmental scientist. She _____ (not) born in Colombia, she was born in Calgary, in Canada. Her favourite subject at school _____ art but she became interested in biology when she was on a painting trip to Colombia – there _____ so many different animals that _____ (not) in Canada. Her favourite animal was the spectacled bear. When Jenny learned that they _____ in danger she wasn't so interested in painting them – she was more interested in saving them.

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

My friend Maria _____ (move) away twenty years ago. She _____ (travel) from Poland to Ireland and _____ (work) in a factory. She _____ (marry) someone there and _____ (start) a family.

III. Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

- 1 your / how / weekend / was? _____
- 2 did / what / you / night / do / last? _____

IV. Complete the questions with the superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

- 1 Which _____ (fast) way to travel?
- 2 Which _____ (slow) way to get there?
- 3 Which _____ (expensive) form of transport?

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V. Complete the text with the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets.



Race across London

Which is faster – public transport, cycling or driving? In this week's Travel Challenge three reporters travel across London in a race to be the first person to the London Barrier. But whose form of transport is 1 _____ (good)?

Alfie: I'm completing the challenge in my car. It's quicker, 2 _____ (comfortable) and a lot cheaper than public transport. And who says it's 3 _____ (dirty) than public transport? Look at the pollution from buses!

Tessa: I know cycling is 4 _____ (slow) than the other two on a clear road but London has a lot of traffic and it's 5 _____ (busy) in the rush hour when we're racing.

The quickest form of transport isn't important in these conditions – it's the smartest way to travel. Unfortunately, it's also 6 _____ (dangerous) than the others.

Troy: I need to think quicker than the others and get my times right. I'm using public transport so missing a bus or tube is a 7 _____ (big) problem than the traffic for me.

VOCABULARY

VI. Write the number in brackets in words.

- 1 My birthday is on the _____ (5th) of January.
- 2 His office is on the _____ (20th) floor of the building.
- 3 The _____ (3rd) bedroom is very small.

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VII. Match words 1–8 with their meanings a)–h). There are two extra words.

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| 1. millionaire | a) the opposite of rich |
| 2. app | b) a kind of computer program |
| 3. poor | c) not having any mistakes or problems |
| 4. perfect | d) someone who is very rich |
| 5. shy | e) a vehicle with two wheels and an engine |
| 6. terrible | f) very bad |
| 7. violence | |
| 8. motorbike | |

VIII. Underline the correct alternatives.

1. The train was *empty/crowded*, so there were lots of free places to sit.
2. My computer is very *fast/slow* today. Everything is taking a long time.

IX. Match the words in the box with their meanings 1–5.

cheap	comfortable	cold	interesting	noisy
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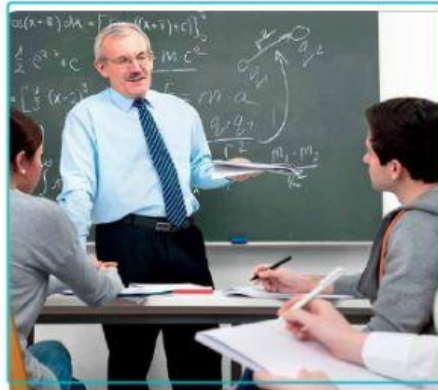
- 1 not expensive _____
- 2 making a lot of noise _____
- 3 having a low temperature _____
- 4 feeling relaxed _____
- 5 making you want to know more _____

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READING

Read the descriptions on the web page. Do the teachers sound nice? Are they like your favourite teacher?

Forum: World Teacher's



On World Teacher's Day we asked our readers to tell us about their favourite teachers. Here are some of your answers.

'My first teacher was Mrs. Davies. I was four years old. She was tall and had long dark hair. I went to a small village school and she was my teacher for three years. I can't remember what she taught me, but I can remember her smile. She always smiled!'

'My favourite teacher was Mr. Morgan. He taught me science at secondary school when I was about 13 or 14. He had grey hair and a big beard. He always looked very serious but he had a great sense of humour! He loved science and he loved teaching. He was the best teacher I ever had.'

'Dani was a Spanish student. He was 21. He came from Madrid and he was a language assistant at our school for a year when I was 16. He was great fun. He told great stories and showed us photos and videos of his life in Madrid. I loved his classes so much I decided to study Spanish at university!'

Do you have a story about your favourite teacher that you can share with us?



X. Match the sentences 1–6 to the teachers. Write A for Mrs Davies, B for Mr Morgan or C for Dani.

1. _____ wasn't a qualified teacher.
2. _____ was a primary school teacher.
3. _____ was a secondary school teacher
4. _____ and _____ were funny and made their students laugh.
5. _____ was always happy.

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