





English Plus 1

Workbook

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1 ★ Complete the table with the words in the box

wasn't were Was weren't was  
weren't was Were wasn't were

### Affirmative

I / He / She / It <sup>1</sup> was at home last night.

You / We / You / They <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at the match.

### Negative

I / He / She / It <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at school yesterday.

You / We / You / They <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at the party.

### Questions

<sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ I / he / she / it in Berlin last week?

<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you / we / you / they in class?

### Short answers

#### Affirmative

Yes, I / he / she <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

Yes, you / we / they <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Negative

No, I / he / she <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

No, you / we / they <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

2 ★★ Correct the sentences.

Leonardo da Vinci was French. (Italian)

Leonardo da Vinci wasn't French. He was Italian.

1 Elvis Presley was from Spain. (the USA)

2 Pablo Picasso was a musician. (artist)

3 The 2008 Olympics were in London. (Beijing)

4 Charles Darwin and Albert Einstein were interested in shopping. (science)

5 J.R.R. Tolkien was a famous actor. (writer)

6 John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln were French presidents. (American)

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Order the words to make questions.

birthday / his / was / February / in

Was his birthday in February?

1 bored / you / at / party / the / were

2 football / was / match / when / the

3 last / friends / where / your / night / were

4 they / tired / were / morning / this

5 was / what / your / name / grandmother's

**PMP**

**Practice Makes Perfect**

1. Listen to the audio file of the text on page 60 and practice reading.

2. Find all past verbs in the text on page 60 and underline them. (for example: were-named,...)



# SORRY?

## WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

f First names of the past

These old surnames are common in modern Britain, but many first names are different. There is nothing new about naming a child after a famous person, but the type of celebrity is different today. In the past, the names of kings, queens, scientists, artists or writers were fashionable. For example, when Victoria was Queen of England in the 19th century, her name was very popular.

b Fans and stars

4 \_\_\_ Many British parents today name their children after pop stars, sports stars or film stars like Kylie, Keira, Brad and Wayne. They do this because they are fans of these celebrities. One football fan named his baby after the Manchester United team. His son has got a first name and ten middle names!

e Is it a baby or a car?

5 \_\_\_ Other parents want their children to have original first names and they sometimes choose the brand names of products. One year there were 298 Armanis, 49 Canons, 5 Jaguars, 1 Xerox and 353 girls named Lexus!

c What? No surname?

1 \_\_\_ First names were important in England in the 11th century. The population was small and most people lived in villages. Surnames or family names weren't necessary because there weren't many people. When the French King William I invaded England in 1066, he wasn't happy with this. In his opinion, people needed surnames.

a The English choose their surnames

2 \_\_\_ In those days, there were different ways to choose a surname: some people used their job (Baker, Cook), some used places (Hill, Wood), and some used their nickname (Short, Brown) or the name of a parent (Johnson = son of John).