

BASIC ENGLISH V

TO BE - PAST TENSE - was/ were

was not = wasn't
were not = weren't

+	?	-
I was at school. He was at school. She was at school. It was at school. We were at school. You were at school. They were at school.	Was I at school? Was he at school? Was she at school? Was it at school? Were we at school? Were you at school? Were they at school?	I wasn't at school. He wasn't at school. She wasn't at school. It wasn't at school. We were not at school. You were not at school. They weren't at school.



Were the pupils at school yesterday?

- Yes, they were.

Were they at the cinema?

- No, they weren't.



Was Tom at school yesterday?

No, he wasn't.

Where was he?

- He was at the doctor's.

PAST SIMPLE (Indefinite) TENSE

What did you do? (yesterday, a year ago, last week)

did not = didn't

+	?	-
I He She It We You They played swam	Did I he she it we you they play? swim?	I He She It We You They didn't play didn't swim

Bob played football on Monday. Did he swim on Monday?

- No, he didn't. Bob swam on Wednesday.

Did his parents work on Saturday?

- Yes, they did.

What did Bob do on Saturday?

- He helped his granny.



PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE

What were you doing? (at that moment, at that time)

was not = wasn't
were not = weren't

+	?	-
I He She It We You They was playing were playing	I he she it we you they playing ...? playing ...?	I He She It We You They wasn't playing weren't playing

When to use?

What were you doing when you broke your leg?

I was skating.

What did you do when you broke your leg?

I called an ambulance.



Was Liz sweeping at that time?

- No, she wasn't.

What was Liz doing yesterday at 12 o'clock?

- She was having lunch.



What were the boys doing at 4 pm. yesterday?

- They were playing tennis.



Were the girls playing tennis at 7 pm. yesterday?

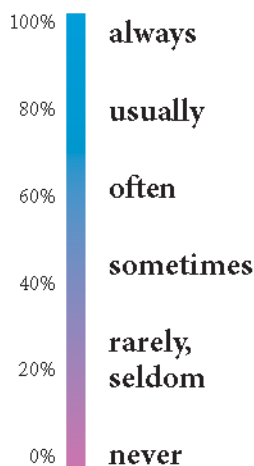
- No, they weren't. They were washing up.

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ADVERBS OF FREQUENCY

How often?



 Tom always walks his dog in the morning.	 He usually feeds his dog in the kitchen.	 Tom often plays with his dog.	 He sometimes takes his dog to the vet.	 Tom seldom gives bones to his dog.
 Tom never gives sweets to his dog.	 How often do you help your granny? – Every day.	1x How often do you tidy your room? – Once a week.	2x How often do they go shopping? – Twice a month.	3x How often does she have a meal? – Three times a day.

ADVERBS OF TIME

past ← present → future

ages ago	not long ago		in a moment	in the distant
a long time ago	a short time ago	at the moment	in a short time	future
two months ago	last month	this month	next month	in two months
December	January	February	March	April
the day before yesterday	yesterday	today	tomorrow	the day after tomorrow
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
two day ago				in two days



How old is she? – She is seven.
How old was she the last year? – She was six.
How old will she be the next year? – She will be eight.



What month is it?
– It's February.



What month was it three months ago?
– It was November.



Look at these children!
In a short time they will be pupils.

TILL, UNTILL, FROM TO, FOR, SINCE



He will stay here from 8 till 10 o'clock.
He will stay here for two hours.
He will stay here till/untill 10 o'clock.



I've been here for 3 hours.
I've been here since 6 o'clock.
I've been here until 9 o'clock.

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