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PAST TENSE

Talk about the past-time.

VOCABULARY. Past-time expressions

Yesterday	Today

last	week month Year Tuesday	Today

two	days weeks months years	ago	Today

1998
Nineteen ninety-eight

2000
Two thousand

HOW TO SAY YEARS

1900 - Nineteen hundred
1901 - nineteen oh one
2001 - two thousand and one
2010 - two thousand ten
1980 - 1989 - the (nineteen) eighties
1901 - 2000 - the twentieth century.
2001 - 2100 - the twenty-first century.

Past tense of be

WHEN WERE YOU BORN? I WAS BORN in 1998

GRAMMAR. The past tense of be.

I He She	was	at home last night	We You They	were colleagues

It **was** cloudy yesterday
She **wasn't** at work last monday

Was Richard at school yesterday?
Where **was** his brother last night?
How was the class?
When **was** she in France?

There **were** a lot of people in the park this morning
We **weren't** at the party last night.

Were your parents students in 1985?
Where **were** they two days ago?
When **were** you sick?

Contractions
was not → wasn't
were not → weren't

Grammar Exercise

Complete the sentences. Write was or were

1. <u>was</u> she a student in 1995?
2. What <u>was</u> their address last year?
3. Where <u>were</u> Peter and Jen last week?
4. <u>Was</u> there a party last night?

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5. My parents were student in the seventies.
6. Were his brothers at the park yesterday?
7. There were a lot of closets in her first house.
8. When was your father in Thailand?

Video Activity

Read what the interviewer said.

1. Where were you born?
   a. In New Jersey.
   b. In New York city.

2. When were you born?
   a. On January 28, 1969.
   b. On July 28, 1969.

3. Where did you study?
   (a.) In New Jersey.
   b. In New York city.

4. What did you study?
   a. English
   (b.) Psychology.

REGULAR VERBS. The simple past tense

Add -ed to form the simple past tense. If the verb ends in -e, just add -d.

call → called like → liked

I called my mother yesterday, but she wasn't home.

VOICED CONSONANTS /d/	VOICELESS CONSONANTS /t/	/id/
played = play /d/	like = like /t/	Wanted = Want/id/
Listened = listen /d/	washed = wash /t/	needed = need/id/
Exercised = Exercise /d/	shopped = shop /t/	

Pronunciation of -ed

- Verbs ending in a voiceless sound (p, f, k, s, sh, ch, gh, c, x) pronounced like /t/
- Verbs ending in a voiced sound (b, g, l, m, n, r, v, z) or vowel pronounced like /d/
- Verbs ending in sound t or d pronounced like /id/

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