



Was, Were

(Also Revision of 'Am', 'Is', 'Are')

Read the sentences given below.

1. Sara **was** sick yesterday.
2. Yesterday, the players **were** tired.



We use **was** in place of **is**, **were** in place of **are** when we talk about something that has already happened. The word yesterday is also used to show this. Look at the box given below. You will find out how the words **was** and **were** are used in the correct way.

I		
He		
She		
Raghu	was	
Payal		
You		
We	were	
They		
The girls		
The boys		
Raghu and Payal		

in class I last year.

We do not use **was/were** in sentences when we talk about things that always happen.

Example: The sun rises in the east. (✓)

We always write : New Delhi is the capital of India.

(A.)

Tick (✓) the correct words in brackets.

1. Raghu (am, [✓]was) in class I last year.

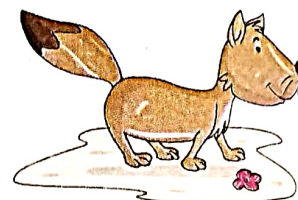
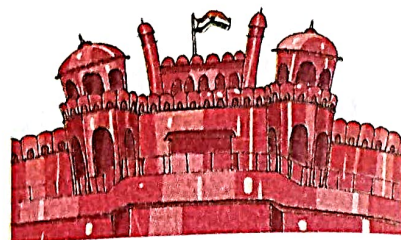
2. Uncle Tom and Aunt Helen
(was, [✓]were) in Nagpur last week.

3. The Red Fort ([✓]is, was) in Delhi.

4. The Narmada ([✓]is, was) a long river.

5. The Qutub Minar and the Jantar Mantar
([✓]are, were) in Delhi.

6. The fox (was, [✓]is) a cunning animal.



(B.)

Fill in the blanks with *is, are, am, was or were*.

1. My grandma lives in a village. She *is*...
fit and fine. I *was* with her last week.
The school *was*.. closed. I went to
live with her. We *were*.. happy with each other.

2. **Mother** : Shikha, *are*.. you ready for school ?

Shikha : Yes, I *am*..

Mother : Where *is*... your bag ?

Shikha : It *is*.... on the table. I kept
it there when I went to bed last night.

Mother : Look for it. Wear your shoes
and socks. They *are*.... under the table.



3. **Zookeeper :** Hello children! I am. Bholu.

I look after all the animals in the zoo.

Swati : Hello! I am.. happy to be here.

Malini : I was not ready to come to the zoo yesterday with my parents. I am happy I came now.



Swati : Look at the chimpanzee. It is..... a big animal.

Zookeeper : The elephant and the bear are..... also big.

Malini : I think they were..... happy in the forest before they came here.

Zookeeper : But they are..... safe here now.