

PAST SIMPLE OF VERB TO BE /ADJECTIVES ENDING IN -ING AND -ED
1. Choose the incorrect sentence.

- A.** I was at the park yesterday, enjoying the sunshine.
- B.** They were excited about the upcoming trip to the mountains.
- C.** She was a talented artist when she was a child.
- D.** We were happy to meet old friends at the reunion.
- E.** The concert last night were amazing, but the tickets were quite expensive.

2. Complete the text using was and were.

During the pandemic, there _____ widespread concern as COVID-19 cases surged. Hospitals _____overwhelmed, and resources _____strained. Lockdowns _____implemented to curb the spread, affecting economies negatively. Vaccines were developed, providing hope. However, misinformation _____widespread, and some were hesitant to get vaccinated, prolonging the global crisis.

- A.** was / were / were / were / were
- B.** was / was / were / were / was
- C.** was / were / were / were / was
- D.** were / were / were / were / was
- E.** was / was / were / were / was

3. Which statements are correct?

- 1. He didn't be at the school.
- 2. She was a teacher in 1988.
- 3. Were they at the bank?
- 4. Eliza's sick yesterday.
- 5. Rod and Jake were best friends.
- A.** 2
- B.** 2 / 3 / 4
- C.** 2 / 3 / 5
- D.** 3 / 5
- E.** 2 / 5

4. Which option contains an incorrect use of be in the past form?

- A.** The negative form of "was" is "wasn't".
- B.** Was is used for "I, he, she, it."
- C.** We use "did" in questions.
- D.** We use "were" for "we, you, they."
- E.** The structure in affirmative is SUBJECT + WAS/WERE + COMPLEMENT.

5. According to contractions of was/were, choose the incorrect option.

- A.** She wasn't sure if they were coming to the party.
- B.** We're thrilled that it was a sunny day for the picnic.
- C.** I wasn't aware that you were at the concert last night.
- D.** They were excited, but I wasn't sure if she was happy.
- E.** He's certain that it was a mistake, and they weren't involved in the argument.

6. Complete the text with the correct words.

The happy kids opened colorful gifts. The _____parents took _____pictures. The warm home and the joyful sounds made a special and _____holiday for all.

- A.** surprising / amazing / caring
- B.** surprising / amazed / cared
- C.** surprised / amazed / caring
- D.** surprised / amazing / caring
- E.** surprised / amazing / cared

7. One pair of the following adjectives is incorrect.

- A.** Bored - boring
- B.** Worried - worrying
- C.** Surprised - surprising
- D.** Disappointed - disappointing
- E.** Excited - exciting

8. Which sentence is incorrect?

- A.** I was amazing by the breathtaking view from the mountaintop.
- B.** The complex instructions were confusing, but I eventually figured them out.
- C.** She felt excited when she received the invitation to the party.
- D.** The surprising news about the sudden change left everyone in shock.
- E.** After a long day at work, I felt tired and ready for a good night's sleep.

9. Choose the incorrect sentence.

- A.** Wasn't she your friend?
- B.** I was a great student.
- C.** Sarah and Marie were nurses.
- D.** Last Sunday I was in Peru.
- E.** Julio last week was at the hospital.

10. One option has a word that is not an adjective, which one is it?

- A.** bright / big / happy / fast
- B.** cold / small / sad / slow
- C.** noisy / old / during / funny
- D.** hot / young / angry / tired
- E.** colorful / tall / delicious / busy

11. Choose one sentence which is not related to life events.

- A.** I graduated from college last year and started my first job.
- B.** In 1990, my parents got married and began their life together.
- C.** The old ruins told stories of a long time ago.
- D.** During my childhood, I moved to a new city and made lifelong friends.
- E.** Last summer, we went on a road trip and explored various scenic locations.

12. Give an order to these life events.

- 1. I started my own business after completing my education.
- 2. Last year, my family and I went on a memorable vacation.
- 3. During my high school years, I joined the school choir and discovered my love for singing.
- 4. In 2010, I met my best friend, who has been by my side through thick and thin.
- 5. Yesterday, I celebrated a major achievement with my colleagues.

A. 3 / 4 / 1 / 2 / 5

B. 2 / 4 / 1 / 3 / 5

C. 4 / 3 / 1 / 2 / 5

D. 1 / 3 / 2 / 4 / 5

E. 5 / 2 / 1 / 3 / 4

13. Which of the following past time expressions is correct?

- A.** Last saturday
- B.** In 1988
- C.** For three years ago
- D.** In the coming years
- E.** A little ago

14. Which of the following sentences is incorrect?

- A.** Last year, we took a memorable trip to the mountains and enjoyed the stunning scenery.
- B.** I graduated from university and began my career in marketing in 2010.
- C.** In a week, we celebrated my sister's birthday with a surprise party.
- D.** During my childhood, I used to visit my grandparents every summer.
- E.** Yesterday, I met an old friend for coffee and reminisced about our school days.

15. Complete the text with the correct words

_____summer, we were _____to explore a charming village. The sun _____shining brightly as we walked through cobbled streets. We were _____by the historic buildings and delighted by the friendly locals. In the evening, we were exhausted but content, having spent the day discovering hidden gems. It _____an unforgettable experience, and we were grateful for the time we spent in that picturesque place.

- A. Past / thrilled / was / fascinating / was
- B. Last / thrilled / is / fascinated / was
- C. This / thrilling / is / fascinated / is
- D. Last / thrilled / was / fascinated / was
- E. Past / thrilling / wasn't / fascinated / was

TEXT 1

Peter was a hardworking man who lived in a small town. He was born in 1985 and grew up in a charming house with his parents and two siblings. His father was a carpenter, and his mother was a teacher. Peter's childhood was filled with laughter and simple pleasures. He used to play in the nearby park with his friends after school. In the evenings, the family would gather around the dinner table, sharing stories of their day. Peter was a diligent student, and he graduated from high school in 2003. After that, he went to university to study engineering. During his college years, he met his future wife, Sarah. They were married in 2010 and were very happy together. Peter's early years were marked by hard work, love, and cherished moments with family and friends.

16. Where did Peter grow up?

- A. In a big city
- B. In a small town
- C. In the countryside
- D. In a coastal area
- E. In an urban neighborhood

17. When did Peter graduate from high school?

- A. 1995
- B. 2003
- C. 2010
- D. 1988
- E. 2008

18. What did Peter study at university?

- A. Teaching
- B. Medicine
- C. Engineering
- D. Carpentry
- E. History

TEXT 2

Iceland is a captivating country, known for its stunning landscapes and geothermal wonders. The country is surrounded by the North Atlantic Ocean, offering breathtaking views of rugged coastlines and towering cliffs. The capital city, Reykjavik, is a vibrant hub, characterized by modern architecture and a lively atmosphere.

The Icelandic people are friendly and welcoming, always eager to share their rich cultural heritage. The countryside is adorned with mesmerizing glaciers, creating a truly enchanting setting. The geysers, such as the famous Geysir, are awe-inspiring, shooting hot water high into the air. Iceland's hot springs, like the Blue Lagoon, are renowned for their relaxing and rejuvenating qualities. The midnight sun during summer is a mesmerizing experience, casting an enchanting glow over the landscapes.

In winter, the Northern Lights paint the sky with vibrant colors, creating a magical atmosphere. Iceland is a land of contrasts, where the untouched beauty of nature meets modern comforts, providing visitors with an unforgettable experience.

19. What is Reykjavik known for in the text?

- A. Glaciers
- B. Geysers
- C. Modern architecture
- D. Midnight sun
- E. Northern Lights

20. Which natural phenomenon is mentioned as occurring in both summer and winter in Iceland?

- A. Glaciers
- B. Geysers
- C. Midnight sun
- D. Rugged coastlines
- E. Northern Lights

21. Which statement is NOT correct according to the text?

- A. Reykjavik is known for its modern architecture.
- B. The Icelandic people are unwelcoming.
- C. The Blue Lagoon is a famous hot spring.
- D. The midnight sun occurs during winter.
- E. Iceland is surrounded by the North Atlantic Ocean.

22. Which sentence best summarizes the last paragraph?

- A. Iceland is known for its natural contrasts and memorable moments.
- B. The Northern Lights create a magical atmosphere in Iceland.
- C. Reykjavik is a vibrant city with modern comforts.
- D. Glaciers and geysers are the main attractions in Iceland.
- E. The untouched beauty of nature in Iceland is overshadowed by its modern.

Glosary

Breathtaking = Asombroso
 Unforgettable = Inolvidable
 Stunning = Impresionante
 Mesmerizing = fascinante
 Heritage = Herencia

SINGULAR AND PLURAL NOUNS – THERE IS / THERE ARE – PARTS OF THE HOUSE – PLACES IN TOWN – PREPOSITIONS OF PLACE

1. Choose the correct option to complete the following sentences:

- There _____ a dog in the yard and there _____ some boys and girls playing with it.

- A. there / aren't
- B. there / are
- C. are / isn't
- D. is / isn't
- E. is / are

2. Fill in the blanks with the correct option:

A: How many chapters _____ in the book?

B: _____ twenty-five!

- A. there isn't / There are
- B. are there / There is
- C. are there / There are
- D. there aren't / There aren't
- E. is there / There is

3. Choose the incorrect sentence according to plural rule:

- A. My sister got me new shoes.
- B. Cuzco is one of the most beautiful cities in the world.
- C. I got you two fish.
- D. Cats have nine lives!
- E. I took many photos of my trip!

4. Choose the incorrect sentence.

- A. My feet are hurting so much. Cuzco is one of the most beautiful cities in the world.
- B. Women nowadays work in every profession!
- C. There are some men standing by the door.
- D. Ew! There are two mice in the kitchen.
- E. The dentist wants to remove one of my wisdom teeth.

5. Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions:

- My grandma's house is really odd. Her night stand is not _____ her bed. Instead, it is _____ the desk and the closet. The kitchen also has a weird layout. She stores things _____ the fridge. Everything _____ her house is so strange!

- A. in / on / after / next to
- B. next to / in / after / between
- C. next to / between / behind / in
- D. between / next to / at / in front of
- E. on / in front of / at / in front of

6. True or false? Select the option that contains the right answers.

- We usually cook food in the kitchen.
- I'm tired. The best place to take a nap is the living room.
- The attic is usually below the first floor.
- A garage is always on the second floor.

- A. T / F / T / F
- B. F / T / F / F
- C. F / F / F / T
- D. T / F / F / F
- E. F / T / T / T

7. Choose the incorrect plural:

- A. Fish
- B. Foot
- C. Species
- D. Sheep
- E. Mice

8. Choose the correct alternative.

- This is where people go when they need to buy groceries. They are usually big stores, and are frequently located at shopping malls.

- A. Bank.
- B. Grocery store.
- C. Supermarket.
- D. Restaurant.
- E. Hotel.

9. Choose the correct alternative.

- This is where people buy sweet goods. They are usually freshly made, ready to be consumed. Here, you can find lemon pie, chocolate cake, different kinds of bread, and in October, pumpkin pie.

- A. Gas station
- B. Clinic
- C. Restaurant
- D. Bakery
- E. Hotel

10. "On" vs "above": Select the correct preposition for each case:

- The pigeon is flying _____ that tree.
- My headphones are _____ my night stand.
- The attic is _____ the second floor.
- The painting is _____ that wall.

- A. on / on / above / on
- B. above / on / above / on
- C. above / on / on / on
- D. on / on / on / above
- E. above / above / on / on

11. Fill the blank with the correct word:

- There _____ any cookies left in the jar!
- There _____ a solution to the math problem.
- There _____ one more brownie left.
- There _____ anything we can do.

- A. aren't / is / is / isn't
- B. aren't / is / are / isn't
- C. aren't / are / is / is
- D. isn't / are / is / is
- E. isn't / is / are / aren't

12. Choose the correct alternative.

- Buying a book? No! In this place you can borrow whichever book you are interested in, free of charge! Just make sure you return it on time, so that other people can borrow it too.

- A. Biblioteque
- B. Gas station
- C. Library
- D. Post office
- E. Clinic

13. Fill in the blanks with the correct option:

- _____ a routine I follow every day. After having breakfast at Panera, my favorite _____, I drive to work. I am a dentist, so I work at the local children's _____. There, I look after people's _____. You'd be surprised by how many people have caries!

- A. There is / bakery / clinic / teeth
- B. There is / restaurant / clinic / tooth
- C. There is / bakery / post office / mail
- D. There are / restaurant / hospital / teeth
- E. There are / bakery / clinic / tooth

14. Fill in the blanks with the correct option:

- _____ many things you can do at a small town. Living here is kind of boring. I mean, _____ an old _____ where people go to watch indie films. But it doesn't have any of the cool superhero ones! I guess you can also eat _____ the local pizzeria: Freddy Fazbear's Pizza.

- A. There is / there are / theater / at
- B. There isn't / there is / theater / above
- C. There are / there is / movie theatre / on
- D. There aren't / there is / movie theatre / at
- E. There aren't / there is / movie theatre / on

READING

CC: Mom, dad, everyone!

Subject: Greetings from Vibrant Frankfurt!

Hello everyone,

I hope this email finds you well. I wanted to share my experiences from Frankfurt.

Firstly, I watched an amazing film. "Whispers of the Rhine". There are English subtitles, so don't worry about the language barrier. Germans love coming-of-age stories, like the one from this film. Apparently, there is a whole genre dedicated to it, called the "bildungsroman". Before the movie, I grabbed coffee at a nearby café – there are so many quaint ones around.

My stay at the Westin Grand Frankfurt, a 5-star hotel was great. The room was luxurious, and the view of the city lights at night was mesmerizing. There isn't anything else I could want in a hotel.

For dinner, I went to "Schoenemann," a fancy restaurant well known in town. I tried their signature dish, "Schnitzel Royale," and trust me it was great. Two slices of potato on top of a chicken breast. An amazing experience.

I visited the stadium of Eintracht Frankfurt. I found a ticket on a website for tourists, and the price was affordable. I am so happy I got the tickets! Eintracht Frankfurt destroyed Bayern Munich 5-1. The people in the stands were chanting and celebrating like crazy.

There were a few places I couldn't visit, like the Goethe House, the Palmen Garden, and the Städel Museum. There wasn't enough time for everything. There never is.

Can't wait to share more stories soon.

Warm regards,
Timothee.

Glossary:

- **Quaint:** attractive in an unusual manner, usually old-fashioned (*pintoresco*).
- **Mesmerizing:** Very attractive, that you want to keep looking (*fascinante*).
- **Signature dish:** A dish that is iconic and representative of some place (*plato bandera*)
- **Chanting:** Repeatedly shouting a slogan or song (*grito o canto*).

15. What did the English subtitles in the movie allow?

- A. For Timothee to understand the movie.
- B. For Timothee to learn about coming-of-age stories.
- C. For Germans to learn English.
- D. For Germans to beat the language barrier.
- E. For Timothee to appreciate German culture.

16. Why could Timothee not visit every place in Frankfurt?

- A. The Goethe House was not open to the public.
- B. The city restricts certain attractions.
- C. There is never enough time.
- D. He didn't find tickets to the Eintracht Frankfurt – Bayern Munich game.
- E. He ran out of money after staying at the Westin Grand Frankfurt Hotel.

17. Considering the places Timothee visited and the ones he did not, what are his priorities when it comes to tourism?

- A. Watching soccer, as well as any other sport he can.
- B. Visiting the most artistic places.
- C. Enjoying luxurious accommodation and dining.
- D. Visiting places that are more authentic and less touristic.
- E. Trying all German cuisines, as he is a foodie.

Read the following text and answer the questions.

House of the Spirits

In my cozy home, some weird things have been happening. The kitchen, usually warm and friendly, now feels a bit cold. The pots and pans sometimes shake in the drawers. The lights flicker too, even though I keep changing the lightbulbs.

As I walk down the hall, the air feels heavy and strange. Things aren't any better in my bedroom. I hear whispers, voices. A high-pitched voice seems to be talking to her dolls. However, I can't see who's talking.

In the bathroom, the taps make noise, and the doors sometimes open by themselves. It's like there's someone else here with me. I don't want to look at myself in the mirror. I am scared I may find someone else looking back at me.

Up in the dark and poorly lit attic, I hear strange sounds that make me a little scared. There is always a weird breeze that gives me chills. This is not too different from the basement. With its dim light, it seems like something mysterious is hiding.

I can't figure out why the bathroom doors make noise. There's no clear reason for the strange breeze in the kitchen. It seems like something mysterious is going on in the attic. I don't know why my bedroom feels a bit strange. And as far as I remember, the basement was always well lit.

Glossary:

- **Cozy:** that gives a feeling of comfort and relaxation (*acogedor*).
- **Flicker:** a light switching on and off erratically (*parpadear*).
- **Whisper:** speaking with a soft voice, usually for privacy (*susurrar*).
- **High-pitched:** a characteristic of a sound. Usually, heard from female singers or young children (*agudo*).
- **Breeze:** a very gentle wind (*brisa*).

18. What unusual event occurs in the kitchen?

- A.** They lights are always too bright.
- B.** The pots and pans keep changing location.
- C.** The air feels heavy and strange.
- D.** The temperature is lower than usual.
- E.** A person's voice can be heard.

19. What is the narrator afraid of in the bathroom?

- A.** The dark.
- B.** Hearing strange sounds.
- C.** The strange breeze.
- D.** Finding out he looks different in the mirror.
- E.** Realizing someone else is watching him.

20. What do the attic and the basement have in common?

- A.** The dim light.
- B.** The strange sounds.
- C.** The heavy air.
- D.** The strange breeze.
- E.** Whispers and voices.

21. Who is most likely to be the person whispering and speaking?

- A.** The spirit of an adult woman.
- B.** The ghost of a nasty criminal.
- C.** The spirit of a young girl.
- D.** The ghost of an angry old man.
- E.** A demon haunting the house.