Simple Past of verb Be

**SHORT ANSWER. *Complete the letter from Judy to her family. Use the present or past of* be.**

1) Hi, everyone,

Last week \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ terrible. It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ exam week. My friends and I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at the library every day. But this week is easy. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ free to read and relax. No homework, no exams.

How \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ everyone at home? Mom, how \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your flowers? Beautiful, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sure. And Ken, how \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your arm? I hope it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ okay. Remember! Basketball \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ just a game. Dad, thanks for the check. My classes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ terrific this year, especially journalism.

Send my love to Grandma and Grandpa. Love,

Judy

**MULTIPLE CHOICE. *Complete the conversation. Circle the correct letter.***

2) **Mark:** Was Mary at the gym?

**Steve:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Who was at the gym? B) No, she was. C) No, they weren't. D) Yes, she was.

3) **Amanda:**  Where were you last night?

**Kathy:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Yes, I was. B) At a movie. C) For two hours. D) Were you alone?

4) **Kathy:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Amanda:** Where were you?

A) Were you at home? B) Are you at the gym? C) Sorry, I wasn't home late night D) Mark and I are at a soccer game.

5) **Jason:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Mark:** No, I wasn't. I was alone on a tour.

A) Where were you? B) How were you? C) Were you with friends? D) What movie was it?

6) **Jason:** How long were you there?

**Mark:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Yesterday. B) Four days. C) Fine, thanks. D) By car.

7) **Jason:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Mark:**  It was cool.

A) How are you? B) How was the weather? C) How long was it? D) Where were you?

8) **Amanda :** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Kathy:** It was scary.

A) How was the movie? B) How is the movie? C) How long was the movie? D) Who was in the movie?

9) **May:** Where were you last night?

**Lee:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) No, I wasn't. B) Yes, we were home. C) At a baseball game. D) Fine, thanks.

10) **Nan:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Tom:**  It was cool and windy.

A) Was it good? B) How long was the game? C) How was the weather? D) How was the party?

11) **Hal:** Sorry we weren't home last night.

**Kim:**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Are you and Sarah in the city? B) Were you asleep? C) Were you alone? D) Where were you?

12) **Lou:** How long was your vacation?

**Don:**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Terrific. B) Three weeks. C) It was cool. D) Last week.

13) **Tim:** Who was Janet with at the party last Saturday?

**Ray:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) She was alone. B) She was. C) Alone. D) She was beautiful.

14) **Bob:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Dot:**  It was wonderful.

A) When was the game? B) How was the play? C) Who was in the movie? D) Where was the concert?

15) **May:** Where were you last night?

**Lee:**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) No, I wasn't. B) At a basketball game. C) Fine, thanks. D) Yes, we were home.

16) **Kim:** How long were you on vacation?

**Vic:**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Three weeks. B) Last month. C) It was cool. D) Terrific.

17) **Jan:** How was the party?

**Lil:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Was it fun? B) It's long and noisy. C) It was cool and windy. D) It was awful.

18) **Dean:** Who was Carla with last night?

**Kent:**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) She was beautiful. B) Yes, she was. C) Alone. D) She was alone.

19) **Yuki:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Dave:** Not too good.

A) Who was in the movie? B) Who was in the play? C) Where was the game? D) How was the concert?

20) **Sam:** Sorry I wasn't home last night.

**Pat:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Were you asleep? B) Are you in class? C) Where were you? D) Were you alone?

21) **Eva:** Was Yuki's brother here yesterday?

**Kay:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) No, he was in Seattle. B) Yes, they were. C) Yes, he's here. D) No, he not.

22) **Alex:** Was Mr. Sato's wife here today?

**Eve:**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) Yes, they were. B) Yes, she's here. C) No, she was in the city. D) No, she's not.

***Complete the conversations. Use* was, were, wasn't, weren't, I, you, he, she, it, *and* they *in your answers.***

23) **A:** Was I right?

**B:** Yes, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

24) **A:** Was it hot in Mexico City?

**B:** No, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. It was cool.

25) **A:** Were they in Madrid?

**B:** No, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. They were in Barcelona.

26) **A:** Were you at home?

**B:** Yes, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at home all day.

27) **A:** Was Tom in class today?

**B:** Yes, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

28) **A:** Was your aunt in Hawaii?

**B:** No, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Fiji.

**MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.**

*Circle the answer that best completes each sentence.*

29) Brian and I were at a movie. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at a concert.

A) We weren't B) Weren't we C) Weren't D) We're not

30) It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cold yesterday. It was sunny and warm.

A) was B) wasn't C) were D) 's not

31) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was your vacation? Was it nice?

A) Who B) When C) Where D) How

32) **A:** Am I correct? **B:** Yes, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) I was B) you were C) you are D) were you

33) Was Princess Diana an actress? No, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) Princess Diana wasn't B) wasn't she C) was not D) she wasn't

34) Who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with last night?

A) are you B) you're C) you were D) were you

35) You were in Japan! \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were you there?

A) Where B) Who C) What D) How long

36) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your English teacher last year?

A) Was who B) Who's C) Who was D) What's her name

37) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was your vacation? Was it nice?

A) Who B) How C) Where D) When

38) Who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with yesterday afternoon?

A) are you B) you're C) were you D) you were

39) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your math teacher last year?

A) Who was B) Who's C) What's his name D) Was who

40) You and Sarah were in Paris! \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were you there?

A) How B) How long C) What D) Where

41) Am I Susan's daughter? Yes, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) I was B) I am C) you were D) were you

42) How was the weather? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ warm?

A) Was it B) Was C) It was D) Was he

43) Was Elvis Presley a writer? No, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A) he wasn't B) Elvis wasn't C) wasn't he D) was not

44) It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ warm last week. It was windy and cold.

A) were B) wasn't C) 's not D) no was

45) Jimmy and I were at a play. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at a movie.

A) We're not B) We weren't C) Weren't we D) Weren't

**SHORT ANSWER. *Complete the conversations. Use the words to complete the past* wh- *questions with* be*.***

46) where / you

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_last night?

**B:** I was at the movies.

how / the movie

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** Fantastic!

where /it

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** At the Royal Theater.

how long / the movie

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** It was three hours long.

who / in it

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**B:** Two actors from Ireland.

1) 1. was

2. was

3. were

4. 're OR are

5. 's OR is

6. are

7. 'm OR am

8. 's OR is

9. 's OR is

10. 's OR is

11. are

2) D

3) B

4) C

5) C

6) B

7) B

8) A

9) C

10) C

11) D

12) B

13) A

14) B

15) B

16) A

17) D

18) D

19) D

20) C

21) A

22) C

23) you were

24) it wasn't

25) they weren't

26) I was

27) he was

28) she was

29) A

30) B

31) D

32) C

33) D

34) D

35) D

36) C

37) B

38) C

39) A

40) B

41) B

42) A

43) A

44) B

45) B

46) 1. Where were you?

2. How was the play?

3. Where was it?

4. How long was the play?

5. Who was in it?

6. How were they?