



- short vowels
- long vowels
- diphthongs

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|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 1 fish /fɪʃ/ | 2 tree /tri:/ | 3 cat /kæt/ | 4 car /kɑ:/ |
| 5 clock /klɒk/ | 6 horse /hɔ:s/ | 7 bull /bʊl/ | 8 boot /bu:t/ |
| 9 computer /kəm'pjʊ:tə/ | 10 bird /bɜ:d/ | 11 egg /eg/ | 12 up /ʌp/ |
| 13 train /treɪn/ | 14 phone /fəʊn/ | 15 bike /baɪk/ | 16 owl /aʊl/ |
| 17 boy /bɔɪ/ | 18 ear /ɪə/ | 19 chair /tʃeə/ | 20 tourist /'tuərɪst/ |

5 A

Who were they?

My life is a simple thing that would interest nobody. It is a known fact that I was born, and that is all that is necessary.

Albert Einstein, German scientist

1 GRAMMAR *was / were*

a Complete the sentences with *was, were, wasn't, or weren't*.



A Who's that?

B It's William Shakespeare.

A Why ¹ *was* he famous?

B He ² _____ a writer.

A ³ _____ he Scottish?

B No, he ⁴ _____. He ⁵ _____ English. He ⁶ _____ born in Stratford-upon-Avon.

A And ⁷ _____ he married?

B Yes, he ⁸ _____. His wife's name ⁹ _____ Anne.

A And ¹⁰ _____ they happy?

B I don't know.

b Write questions and answers.

1 Mozart / from / Germany? ✗

Was Mozart from Germany?

No, he wasn't.

2 Columbus and Magellan / explorers? ✓

Were Columbus and Magellan explorers?

Yes, they were.

3 Virginia Woolf / writer? ✓

_____?

_____.

4 the Bee Gees / from the USA? ✗

_____?

_____.

5 John McEnroe / footballer? ✗

_____?

_____.

6 Matisse / composer? ✗

_____?

_____.

7 Picasso / born / Spain? ✓

_____?

_____.

8 Greta Garbo / actress? ✓

_____?

_____.

9 Tolstoy and Cervantes / painters? ✗

_____?

_____.

10 Nelson Mandela / born / Britain? ✗

_____?

_____.

c Complete with present or past forms of *be*.

1 Today *is* Monday, so yesterday *was* Sunday.

2 A Hi. _____ your sister at home?

B No, she _____. She _____ here this morning, but now she _____ at work.

3 My books _____ here on my desk this morning. Where _____ they now?

4 James _____ born in England, but his parents _____ born in Singapore.

5 My boss _____ angry today because I _____ very late for work yesterday, and this morning too.