



# 9 Times past

Saying years • *was/were born* • Past Simple – irregular verbs • *have/do/go*  
When's your date of birth?

## STARTER

1 **T 9.1** Listen and underline the years you hear. Say them.

1 1996 / 1986    2 1916 / 1960    3 2010 / 2002    4 1699 / 1799    5 1840 / 1945    6 2005 / 2015

2 **T 9.2** Listen and repeat.

1840 eighteen forty    1996 nineteen ninety-six    2005 two thousand and five    2010 two thousand and ten / twenty ten

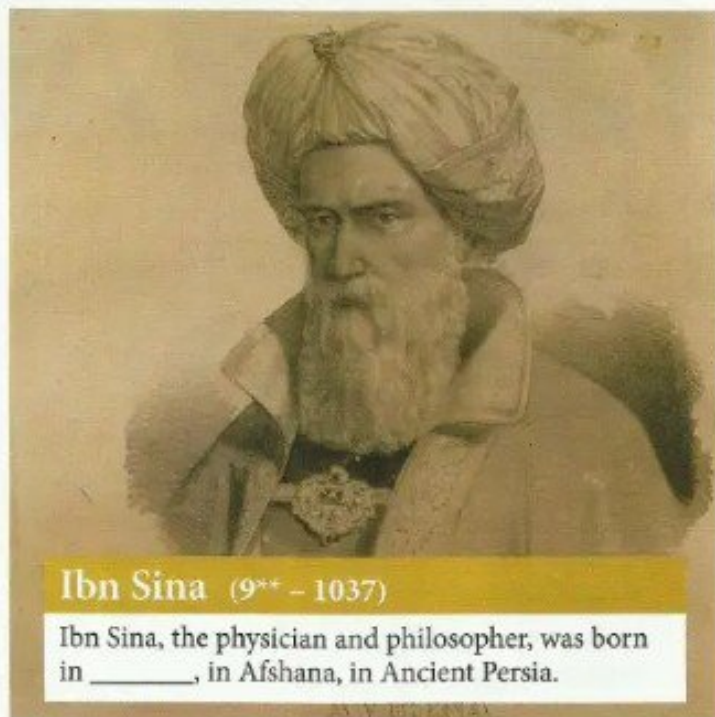
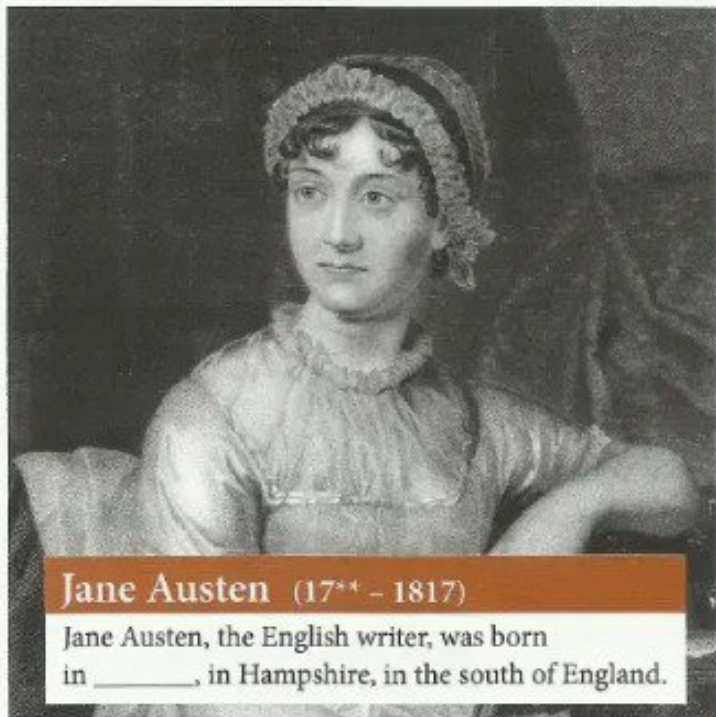
3 What year is it now? What year was it last year? What year is it next year?

## WHEN WAS SHE BORN?

*was/were born*

1 Look at the photos. Do you know the people? When were they born?

**T 9.3** Listen and write the years.



2 **T 9.4** Listen and repeat.

She was a writer. She was born in \_\_\_\_\_.

He was a philosopher. He was born in \_\_\_\_\_.

3 Ask and answer questions with other students.

How old are you?

I'm 18/21 ... I was born in 19 ...

4 **T 9.5** Listen to the questions and answers. Practise them.

When **were** you born? I was born in 1994.  
 When **was** he born? He was born in 1978.  
 When **was** she born? She was born in 1991.  
 When **were** they born? They were born in 2001.



### GRAMMAR SPOT

Complete the chart of the verb *to be*.

	Present	Past
I	am	
You	are	were
He/She/It	is	
We	are	were
They	are	

▶▶ Grammar Reference 9.1 p127

5 **T 9.6** Listen to Magalie Dromard talking about her family. Write when the people were born.

## MAGALIE DROMARD'S FAMILY

Magalie

André

Tristan

Cecilia

Ella

Matt

Edith

Work with a partner. Ask and answer questions about Magalie's family.

Who's Tristan?

He's Magalie's brother.

When was he born?

In 1985.

Who are André and Ella?

They're her ...

When were they ... ?

6 Who is your grandmother/grandfather/aunt/uncle ... ?

Write the names of some people in your family. Ask and answer questions about them.

Miteb      Waleed

A Who's Miteb?

B He's my uncle.

A When was he born?

B I'm not sure. I think about 1956.

7 Tell the class about your partner's family.

Saad's uncle was born in 1956.

His father was born in 1962.

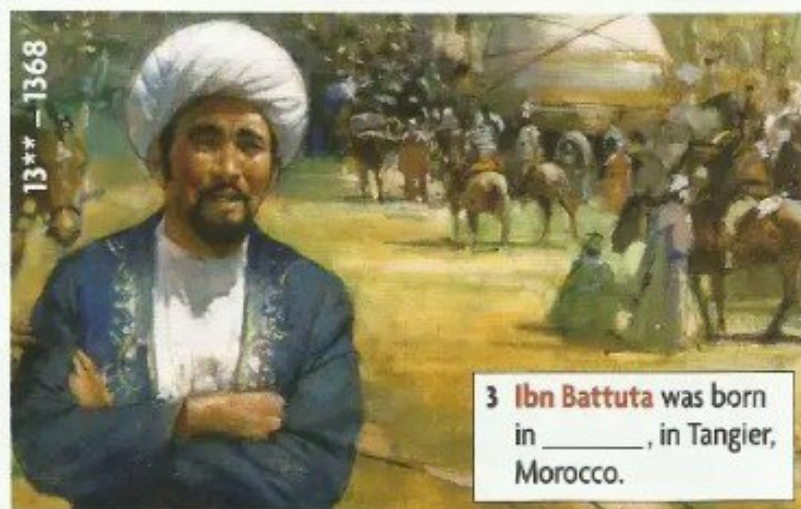
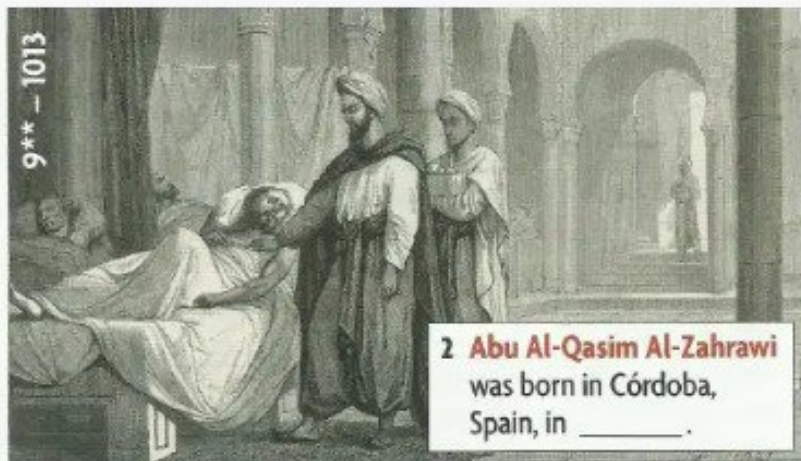


## PRACTICE

### Who were they?

- 1 Who are the people in the photographs?  
Match the people 1–8 and the jobs in the box.

- |                                      |                                   |  |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> traveller   | <input type="checkbox"/> writer   | <input type="checkbox"/> politician    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> philosopher | <input type="checkbox"/> surgeon  | <input type="checkbox"/> racing driver |
| <input type="checkbox"/> general     | <input type="checkbox"/> princess |  |



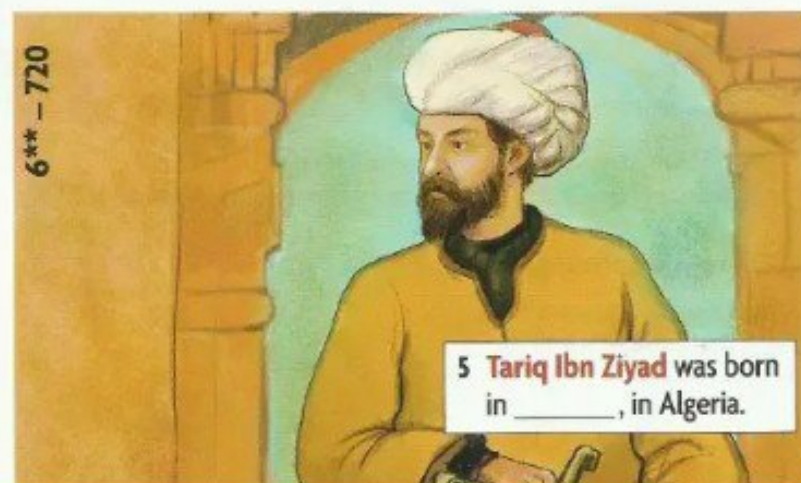
- 2 **T 9.7** Listen and write when they were born.
- 3 **T 9.8** Listen to the questions and answers. Practise them.

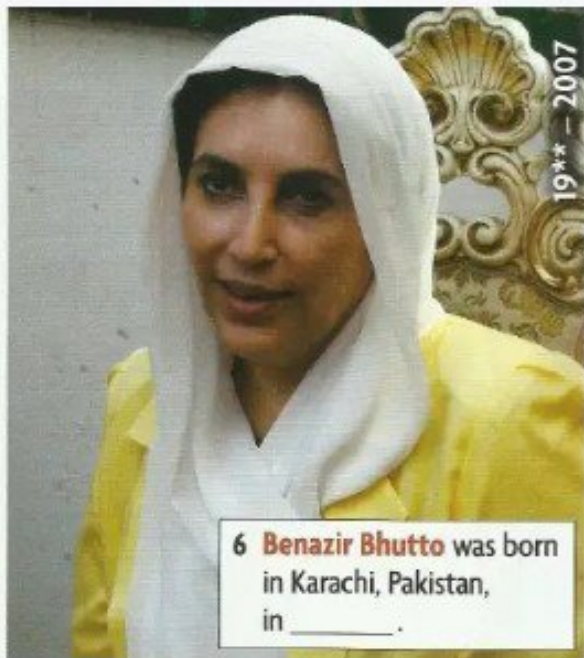
**Who was Shakespeare?** He was a writer.  
**Where was he born?** In England.  
**When was he born?** In 1564.

Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions about the other people.

Who was Tariq Ibn Ziyad?

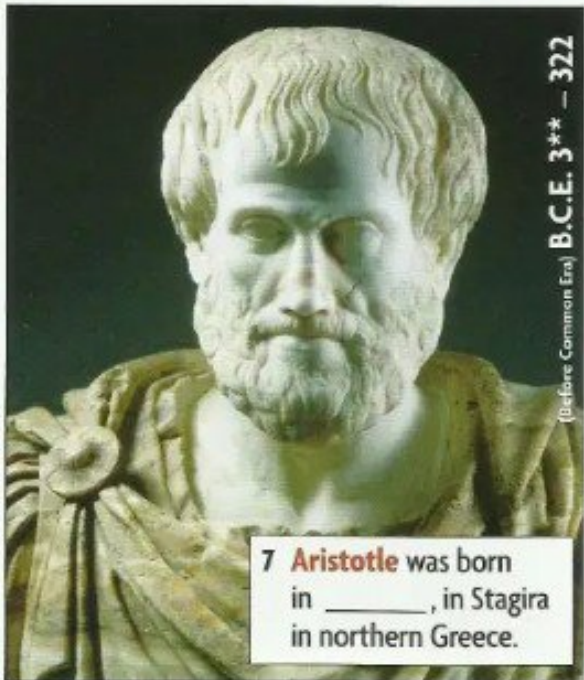
He was a ...





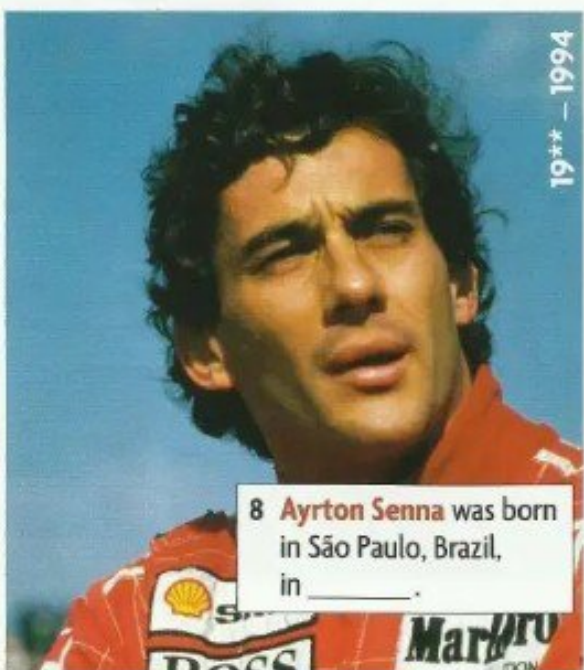
19\*\* - 2007

6 **Benazir Bhutto** was born in Karachi, Pakistan, in \_\_\_\_\_.



(Before Common Era) B.C.E. 3\*\* - 322

7 **Aristotle** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Stagira in northern Greece.



19\*\* - 1994

8 **Ayrton Senna** was born in São Paulo, Brazil, in \_\_\_\_\_.

**Negatives and pronunciation**

4 **T 9.9** Listen and repeat.

Shakespeare was a traveller.  
No, he **wasn't**. He was a writer.

Shakespeare and Diana were Irish.  
No, they **weren't**. They were English.

5 Write the correct information.

- 1 Ayrton Senna was a surgeon.  
No, he wasn't! He was a racing driver!
- 2 Jane Austen was a princess.  
No, she \_\_\_\_\_! \_\_\_\_\_!
- 3 Shakespeare and Jane Austen were philosophers.  
No, they \_\_\_\_\_! \_\_\_\_\_!
- 4 Tariq Ibn Ziyad was a scientist.  
No, he \_\_\_\_\_! \_\_\_\_\_!
- 5 Aristotle and Ibn Sina were politicians.  
No, they \_\_\_\_\_! \_\_\_\_\_!
- 6 Benazir Bhutto was a writer.  
No, she \_\_\_\_\_! \_\_\_\_\_!

**T 9.10** Listen and check. Practise the sentences.

**Today and yesterday**

6 What is true for you? Tell a partner.

Today is ...	Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday ...
Yesterday was ...	
Today I'm ...	at school / at home / at work ...
Yesterday I was ...	
Today the weather is ...	hot / cold / wet / lovely / horrible ...
Yesterday the weather was ...	
Today my parents are ...	at work / at home ...
Yesterday my parents were ...	

**Check it**

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

- 1 Where was your father born?
- 2 When \_\_\_\_\_ your parents born?
- 3 My parents \_\_\_\_\_ both born in 1961. My father \_\_\_\_\_ born in 1961, and my mother \_\_\_\_\_ born in 1963.
- 4 I \_\_\_\_\_ on holiday in Syria in 2008.
- 5 '\_\_\_\_\_ he at home yesterday?' 'No, he \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 6 '\_\_\_\_\_ you at work yesterday?' 'Yes, we \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 7 '\_\_\_\_\_ they at school yesterday morning?' 'No, they \_\_\_\_\_.'

**! Pronunciation**

*/wəz/*  
1 He **was** an artist

*/wɒznt/*  
No, he **wasn't**.

*/wə/*  
2 They **were** Irish.

*/wɜ:nt/*  
No, they **weren't**.

## READING AND SPEAKING

### Past Simple – irregular verbs

- 1 Match the present and the past verb forms of the verbs. Look at the Irregular verbs list on p142.

Present	Past
be	said
buy	gave
come	took
find	bought /bɔ:t/
give	made
go	went
have	found
make	was / were
say	saw
see	came
take	had

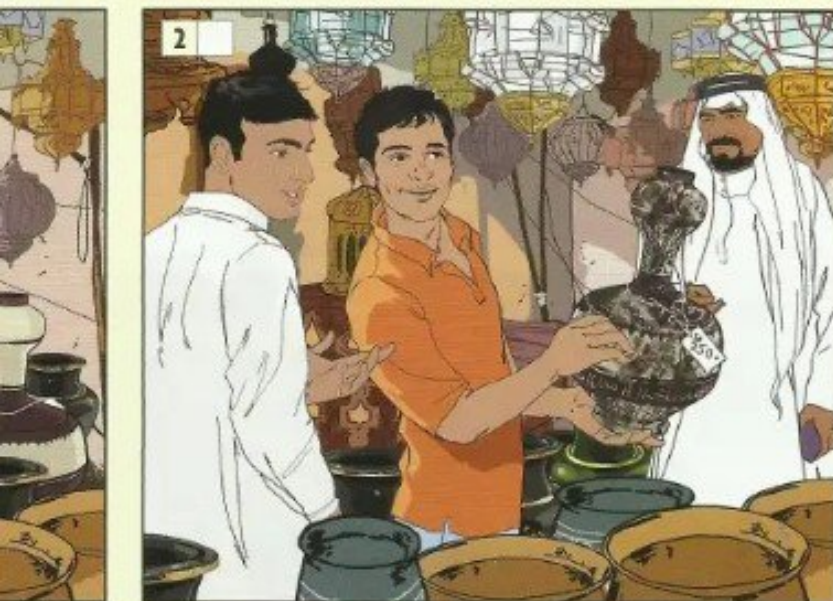
**T 9.11** Listen and check, and repeat.

▶▶ Grammar Reference 9.2 p127

- 2 Look at the pictures. They tell a story. Match the sentences and pictures.

- a They bought the vase for SR 200.
- b The boys took the vase to an expert in Riyadh
- c They found an old and dirty, but very beautiful vase.
- d Two brothers were shopping in an antiques market in Jeddah,
- e The man in Jeddah market was very upset.
- f The expert gave them SR 1 million for it.





3 Read the story. Complete it with the irregular verbs from exercise 1.

Malcolm Byers in Riyadh reports

## Antique vase sold for SR 1,000,000

In 2009 two brothers, Hatem and Abdullah Al Omran, (1) were in the town of Jeddah in Saudi Arabia. They (2) \_\_\_\_\_ shopping in the antiques market. One man (3) \_\_\_\_\_ a market stall with lots of antique vases, and the boys (4) \_\_\_\_\_ an old and dirty, but very beautiful vase. They (5) \_\_\_\_\_ the vase for SR 200. The man (6) \_\_\_\_\_ very happy to sell it.

A friend (7) \_\_\_\_\_ to the brothers' house and (8) \_\_\_\_\_ the vase. He (9) \_\_\_\_\_ it was worth a lot of money. The boys (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the vase to an expert in Riyadh, and he (11) \_\_\_\_\_ them SR 1m for it. The boys (12) \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of money!

The vase is in a museum now. The man in Jeddah market was very upset. He doesn't want to think about it!

Read the story aloud with a partner.

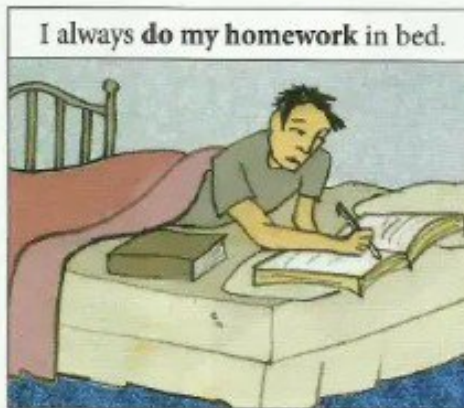
**T 9.12** Listen and check.

4 Look at the pictures only and tell the story again.

## VOCABULARY

*have, do, go*

1 Look at the words that go with *have, do, and go*.



2 Write the words in the box next to the correct verb, *have, do, or go*.

shopping	lunch	my-homework
a shower	the housework	on holiday
for a walk	some exercise	home
a good time	breakfast	to work

**have**      lunch

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**do**      my homework

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**go**      shopping

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3 Write the past of *have, do, and go*.

went	had	did
Present	Past	
have		
do		
go		

4 Complete the sentences with *went, had* or *did*.

- Yesterday I met my mother at one o'clock and we had lunch in a restaurant.
- I hate doing housework but last Friday I \_\_\_\_\_ a lot because my house was a mess.
- Yesterday was a lovely day so I \_\_\_\_\_ for a walk in the park.
- Usually I walk but yesterday I \_\_\_\_\_ to work by bus.
- On Thursday night I went to a great restaurant. I \_\_\_\_\_ a really nice meal.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of exercise yesterday. I went to the gym.
- The talk wasn't very good so we \_\_\_\_\_ home early.

**T 9.13** Listen and check.

### Talking about you

5 Complete the sentences with what *you* did.

- Yesterday I had a shower at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock.
- This morning I \_\_\_\_\_ breakfast at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock. I had coffee and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Last Thursday I \_\_\_\_\_ shopping and I bought \_\_\_\_\_.
- Last weekend I \_\_\_\_\_ my homework at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock on \_\_\_\_\_.
- Last year I \_\_\_\_\_ on holiday to \_\_\_\_\_.

6 Tell a partner what you did.

# EVERYDAY ENGLISH

## When's your date of birth?

1 These are the months of the year. What is the correct order?

\_\_\_\_\_ January \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ September \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ January \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ April \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ March \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ November \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ August \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ October \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ February \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ May \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ July \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ June \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ December \_\_\_\_\_

**T 9.14** Listen and check. Say the months round the class.

2 Which month is your date of birth? Tell the class.

My date of birth is in September.  
 So is my date of birth!

Which month has the most dates of birth?

3 **T 9.15** Listen and repeat the numbers.

- first (1st)      second (2nd)      third (3rd)
- fourth (4th)      fifth (5th)      sixth (6th)
- seventh (7th)      eighth (8th)      ninth (9th)
- tenth (10th)      eleventh (11th)      twelfth (12th)
- thirteenth (13th)      fourteenth (14th)      fifteenth (15th)

4 Say these numbers.

- 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th 21st 22nd 23rd
- 24th 25th 26th 27th 28th 29th 30th 31st

**T 9.16** Listen and check.

5 **T 9.17** Listen and write the numbers. Practise them.

- the \_\_\_\_\_ of January
- the \_\_\_\_\_ of March
- the \_\_\_\_\_ of April
- the \_\_\_\_\_ of May
- the \_\_\_\_\_ of June
- the \_\_\_\_\_ of August
- the \_\_\_\_\_ of November
- the \_\_\_\_\_ of December

**!** We say:  
 the tenth of April  
 We write:  
 10 April  
 April 10  
 10/4/09  
 Americans write:  
 4/10/09

6 When is your date of birth? Do you know the time you were born? Ask and answer in groups.

When's your date of birth?  
 It's on the third of March.  
 What time were you born?  
 At two o'clock in the morning.

Tell the class.

I was born in 1982 on the twentieth of July at two o'clock in the morning.



## UNIT 8

### 8.1 *There is/There are*

#### Positive

**There's** a sofa in the living room. (*There's = There is*)  
**There are** two CD players in my house.

#### Question

**Is there** a TV in the kitchen?  
**Are there** any magazines on the table?  
 How many CDs **are there**?

#### Negative

**There isn't** a TV.  
**There aren't** any photos.

### 8.2 *any*

We use *any* in questions and negatives.  
**Are there any** books in the room?  
 There **aren't any** CDs.

## UNIT 9

### 9.1 *was/were*

*Was* and *were* are the past tense of *am/are/is*.

#### Present positive

I **am** happy.  
 You **are** a student.  
 He/She/It **is** in New York.  
 We **are** hot.  
 They **are** at work.

#### Past positive

I **was** happy yesterday.  
 You **were** a student in 1998.  
 He/She/It **was** in New York.  
 We **were** hot.  
 They **were** at work last week.

#### Negative

I	wasn't	at home last weekend.
He		
You	weren't	at school yesterday.
They		

#### Questions

Where **were you** yesterday?  
 Was **she** at school? Yes, **she was**./No, **she wasn't**.

#### ❶ We use *was/were* with *born*, not *am/is/are*.

Where **were you born**?      NOT      Where **are you born**?  
 He **was born** in Russia.      He **is born** in Russia.

### 9.2 Past Simple – irregular verbs

Many common verbs are irregular. See the list of irregular verbs on p142.

Present	Past
is/are	was/were
buy	bought
go	went
say	said
see	saw
take	took

## UNIT 10

### 10.1 Past Simple positive

1 Regular verbs add *-ed* or *-d* in the Past Simple.

Present	Past
play	played
watch	watched
listen	listened
turn	turned
change	changed

2 Many common verbs are irregular.

go	went
see	saw
have	had

See the list on p142.

3 The form is the same for all persons.

I	listened to music. went to work. had lunch.
You	
He/She/It	
We	
They	

### 10.2 Past Simple questions and negatives

❶ Present *do/does* → Past *did*  
 What time **does** he usually get up?  
 What time **did** he get up yesterday?

#### Questions with question words

Where	did	I you he/she/it we they	go?
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#### Negative

I	didn't	go shopping. see my friends.
We		

#### Yes/no questions and short answers

Did they play football?	Yes, they did.
Did you have a good time?	No, I didn't.