



9 Times past

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

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 an opera singer. 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.

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



MY FAMILY

Magalie 1994

Tristan _____

Cecilia _____

Matt _____

André _____

Ella _____

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.

Ernest Mary

A Who's Ernest?

A When was he born?

B He's my uncle.

B I'm not sure. I think about 1935.

- 7 Tell the class about your partner's family.

Peter's uncle was born in 1956.

His mother was born in 1962.



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

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"/> singer | <input type="checkbox"/> writer | <input type="checkbox"/> politician |
| <input type="checkbox"/> musician | <input type="checkbox"/> artist | <input type="checkbox"/> racing driver |
| <input type="checkbox"/> actor | <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 Andy Warhol?

He was an ...





6 Benazir Bhutto was born in Karachi, Pakistan, in _____.



7 Marilyn Monroe was born in _____, in Los Angeles, in the US.



8 Ayrton Senna was born in São Paulo, Brazil, in _____.

Negatives and pronunciation

4 T 9.9 Listen and repeat.

Shakespeare was an artist.
No, he ~~wasn't~~. He was a writer.

Shakespeare and Diana were Irish.
No, they ~~were~~. They were English.

5 Write the correct information.

- Ayrton Senna was an actor.
No, he ~~wasn't~~. He was a racing driver.
- Jane Austen was a princess.
No, she _____.
- Marilyn Monroe and Michael Jackson were Italian.
No, they _____.
- Mozart was a scientist.
No, he _____.
- Luciano Pavarotti and Michael Jackson were politicians.
No, they _____.
- 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.

- Where was your mother born?
- When _____ your parents born?
- No, my parents _____ both born in 1951. My father _____ born in 1951, and my mother _____ born in 1953.
- I _____ on holiday in New York in 2008.
- "_____ he at home yesterday?" "No, he _____."
- "_____ you at work yesterday?" "Yes, we _____."
- "_____ they at school yesterday morning?" "No, they _____."

Pronunciation

1 He ^{/wəz/} was an artist.
No, he ^{/wəznt/} wasn't.

2 They ^{/wəz/} were American.
No, they ^{/wəznt/} weren't.

READING AND SPEAKING

Past Simple – irregular verbs

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

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

T 9.11 Listen and check. Practise the verbs.

▶ Grammar Reference 9.2 p127

- 2 Look at the pictures. They tell a true story. Match the sentences and pictures.
- a The painting is now for sale in an art gallery in Canada.
 - b An American lady went shopping and bought a painting for \$5 from a charity shop.
 - c A rich businessman was happy to pay \$9 million, but Teri said 'I want \$50 million!'
 - d One expert found Pollock's fingerprint on the back of the painting.
 - e A film company made a film about Teri and the painting.
 - f An art teacher said the painting was by the famous artist, Jackson Pollock.



It's a Jackson



Pollock!



- 3 Read and complete the newspaper article with the irregular verbs from exercise 1.

Helen Byers in Los Angeles reports

WHO IS JACKSON POLLOCK?

Teri Horton, a 60-year-old lady from Los Angeles, (1) went shopping in San Bernardino, a town in California, USA. She (2) was in a charity shop when she (3) found a colourful, modern painting. She (4) paid it for \$5.

An art teacher saw the painting and (5) thought it was by the American artist, Jackson Pollock. 'Who is Jackson Pollock?' said Teri. She (6) had no idea that he was a very famous modern painter.

Many art experts (7) went to her house to see the painting. Some said that it wasn't a 'Pollock', but one expert, Peter Paul Biró, (8) found Pollock's fingerprint on the back. Biró said, 'This is a real Pollock painting.'

A rich businessman was happy to pay \$9 million for it, but Teri said: 'No! I want \$50 million.'

In 2007, a Canadian TV company (9) made a film about Teri and the painting. It is now for sale in an art gallery in Toronto. Price: \$50 million!



Teri Horton with Pollock painting

Read the article 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 Sunday 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 Saturday night I went to a great party. I _____ a really good time.
- I _____ a lot of exercise yesterday. I went to the gym.
- The party wasn't very good so we _____ home early.

TTT 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 Saturday 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 birthday?

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

_____ January _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ December _____

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

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

- 2 Which month is your birthday? Tell the class.

My birthday's in September.

So is my birthday!

How many birthdays are in each month?
Which month has the most?

- 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 birthday? Do you know the time you were born? Ask and answer in groups.

When's your birthday?

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.

- 7 **T 9.18** Sing *Happy Birthday!* to Sarah.

