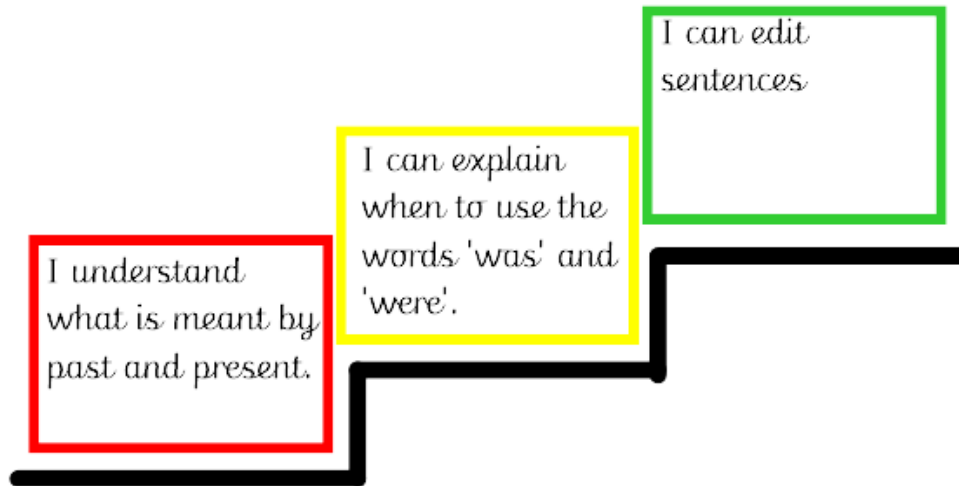


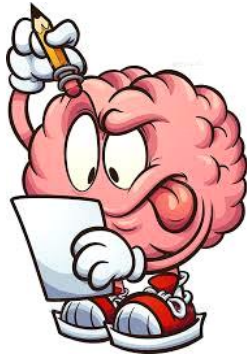
English- Friday 5th March

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TBQ: Can I use the verbs 'was' and 'were' correctly?



THIS IS TRICKY.... ARE YOU READY?



'was' and 'were' are the past tenses of the verb 'to be'.

It is important to be careful when choosing the correct form of the verb for the subject of a sentence.

When we discuss something that is singular past (just **ONE** thing/person/animal) we use the verb '**was**'.

I was I was happy living there.



He was He was the best runner in the school.

She was She was the first woman in space.

It was It was unusual to see Emily crying.

I, he, she and it are all singular words.

SINGULAR = WAS

 Except when we say you... 


You were You were always so kind to me.

When we discuss something that is plural past (**more than one** thing/person/animal) we use the verb '**were**'. We also use 'were' when we say 'you'.

We were We were all poorly last week.

You were You were brilliant, Class 4!

They were They were stuck on the bus for hours.

 ***NOT*** They was stuck on the bus for hours.

HERE IS A POSTER TO HELP YOU.

was or were

Singular

I was
You were
He was
She was
It was

Plural

We were
You were
They were



Underline the sentences that show the correct use of 'was' and 'were'.

1. We was good at sport. We were good at sport.
2. She was kind. She were kind.
3. They were a great class. They was a great class.
4. I were late for school. I was late for school.



Fill in the missing word. Is it was or were?

Sam knew that she _____ going to be last in the race.

Billy told his mum he _____ not going to walk the dog.

We _____ all looking forward to the party.

They _____ packing for their holiday.



Write some of your own sentences to show the correct use of 'was' and 'were'.