

USE OF THERE

THERE is used while naming a place, a thing or the existence of something.

THERE IS/ARE used to indicate the fact or existence of something (in singular or plural).

THERE IS (SINGULAR)

- 1) **There is** a black cat.
- 2) **There is** a boy behind the tree.
- 3) **There is** a student in the classroom.

THERE ARE (PLURAL)

1) There are three football players.

2) There are two people and two dogs.

3) There are two little girls playing with blocks.

SINGULAR

- THERE WAS
- THERE WAS NOT
- THERE WASN'T
- WAS THERE...?

PLURAL

- THERE WERE
- THERE WERE NOT
- THERE WEREN'T
- WERE THERE..?

EXAMPLES FOR SINGULAR

1. There was a lightning storm last night.
2. There is someone waiting to see you.
3. There wasn't any furniture in the apartment. It was almost empty.

EXAMPLES FOR PLURAL

- 1) There were many things to do and see at the amusement park.
- 2) There weren't any people in the hotel room.
- 3) Were there a lot of people at the meeting?

FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete each sentence with "there" and the verb "be" in the present tense (am, is, or are).

1. _____ a big test tomorrow.
2. _____ several people waiting in line.
3. _____ a good reason for that. (Negative)
4. _____ I _____ in this picture?
5. _____ you _____ in that picture?
6. _____ she _____?She's next to the window.

FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete each sentence with "there" and the verb "be" in the past tense (was or were). Some sentences are negative.

1. _____ a car accident just ten minutes ago.
2. _____ several people who got hurt.
3. _____ a lot of policemen at the scene.
4. _____ any news of it on TV. (negative)
5. _____ I _____, watching helplessly.

TRANSFORM THE SENTENCES

1) My father has got a lot of books.

There.....a lot of books in my father's office.

2) The students are far too numerous in this class.

There.....many students in the class.

3) My brother would like to play the guitar , but it is too noisy in a flat.

There.....too much noise in the room.

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