There was / there were

Decir qué había o hubo

There was y there were significan había o hubo. Usamos was con un nombre en singular: there was a dog. Usamos were con un nombre en plural: there were two dogs. Con cosas que no contamos una a una, como agua o dinero, usamos was: there was some water. Las frases hablan de un momento pasado, como ayer o el año pasado. There ya está escrito.

Ejemplo resuelto

There ____ two cats here yesterday. → There were two cats here yesterday.

Ayer había dos gatos aquí. Two cats es plural: were.

Completa con la forma de be en pasado que corresponde al nombre. Escribe una palabra sin contracción.

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03. There _____ lots of people waiting when the store opened yesterday.

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09. There _____ a surprise in my lunch bag yesterday.

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11. On our trip last May, there _____ two stops before the airport.

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13. There _____ a few coins in the coat I gave away last month.

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Continuación: ejercicios 21-40. Completa con la forma de be en pasado que corresponde al nombre. Escribe una palabra sin contracción.

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25. There _____ lots of puddles after yesterday's rain.

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31. There _____ a spider in my shoe this morning.

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Soluciones

Frases con el hueco completado. La respuesta aparece en negrita.

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