

**FORM**

| Positive  | Negative      |              | Question        |
|-----------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
|           | Long          | Short        |                 |
| I was     | I was not     | I wasn't     | Was I ... ?     |
| You were  | You were not  | You weren't  | Were you ... ?  |
| She was   | She was not   | She wasn't   | Was she ... ?   |
| He was    | He was not    | He wasn't    | Was he ... ?    |
| It was    | It was not    | It wasn't    | Was it ... ?    |
| We were   | We were not   | We weren't   | Were we ... ?   |
| They were | They were not | They weren't | Were they ... ? |

**Practice**

**17a** Complete the sentences using *was* or *were*.

- 1 He *was* very tired yesterday.
- 2 They *were* not very happy together.
- 3 You *were* very angry with me last night.
- 4 Her doctor *was* not very helpful.
- 5 They *were* in France last summer.
- 6 Mr Jones *was* not in the office yesterday.
- 7 I *was* in bed all morning.
- 8 It *was* not very warm in the swimming pool.
- 9 You *were* not very friendly to my sister.
- 10 She *was* a beautiful baby.
- 11 The children *were* awake early this morning.
- 12 I *was* not with them in the restaurant.
- 13 Ruth *was* on holiday last week.
- 14 It *was* a very nice letter.
- 15 We *were* very pleased to see you.
- 16 Callum and his brother Josh *were* here last night.

**17b** Complete the story, adding *was* and *were*.

It <sup>1</sup> *was* a beautiful day. The sun <sup>2</sup> *was* hot and the sky <sup>3</sup> *was* blue. James and Wendy <sup>4</sup> *were* on the beach. They <sup>5</sup> *were* with their three children. The children <sup>6</sup> *were* in the sea. The sea <sup>7</sup> *was* a bit cold but the children <sup>8</sup> *were* very happy. There <sup>9</sup> *were* lots of other children in the sea too: some of them <sup>10</sup> *were* in the water with the dogs.