



9 Happy birthday!

Saying years · was/were born · Past Simple – irregular verbs · When's your birthday?

STARTER



1 **T 9.1** Listen and underline the years you hear. Say them.

- 1 1426/1526 3 1818/1880 5 1951/1961
- 2 1699/1799 4 1939/1949 6 2007/2010

2 What year is it now? What year was it last year?

! We say: **1841** eighteen forty-one
1916 nineteen sixteen

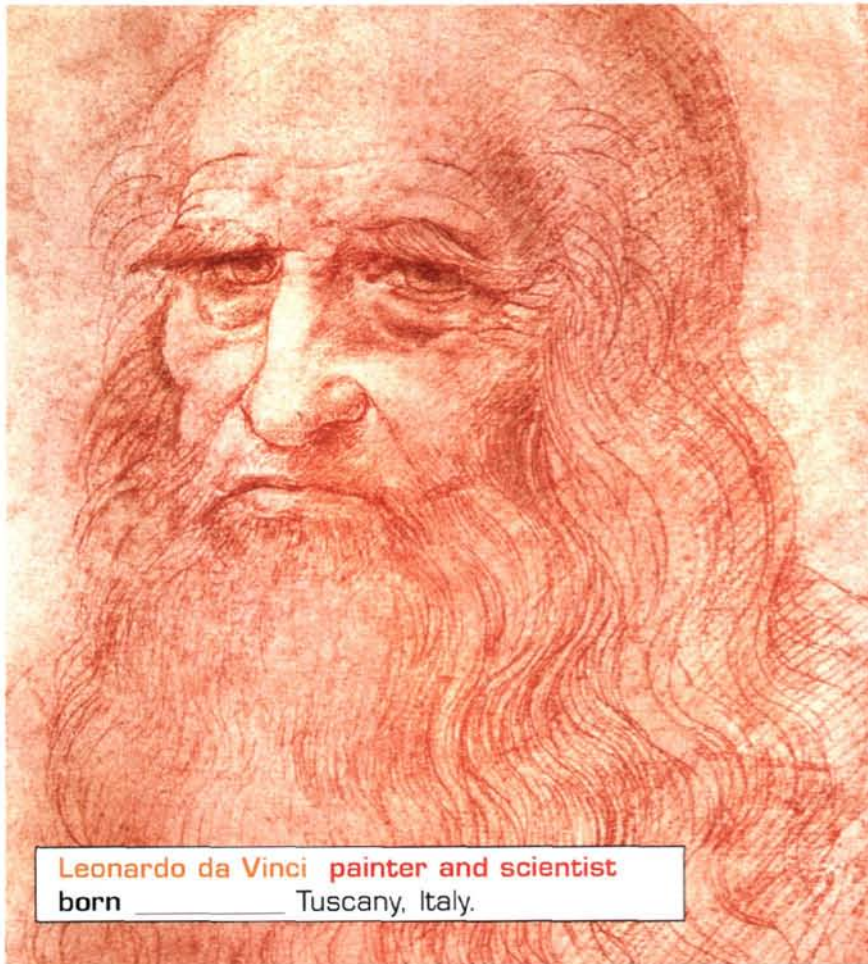
but **2000** two thousand
2008 two thousand and eight
2015 two thousand and fifteen

T 9.2 Listen and repeat.

WHEN WERE THEY BORN?

was/were born

1 **T 9.3** Do you know the people? When were they born? Listen and write the years.



Leonardo da Vinci painter and scientist
born _____ Tuscany, Italy.



Marie Curie scientist
born _____ Warsaw, Poland.

2 **T 9.4** Listen and repeat.

He was a painter.
He was born in 1452.
She was a scientist.
She was born in 1867.
I was born in 1979.

3 Ask and answer questions with other students.

How old are you?

I'm ...
I was born in ...

4 **T 9.5** Listen to the questions and answers. Practise them.

When were you born? I was born in 1986.
When was he born? He was born in 1975.
When was she born? She was born in 1991.
When were they born? They were born in 2001.

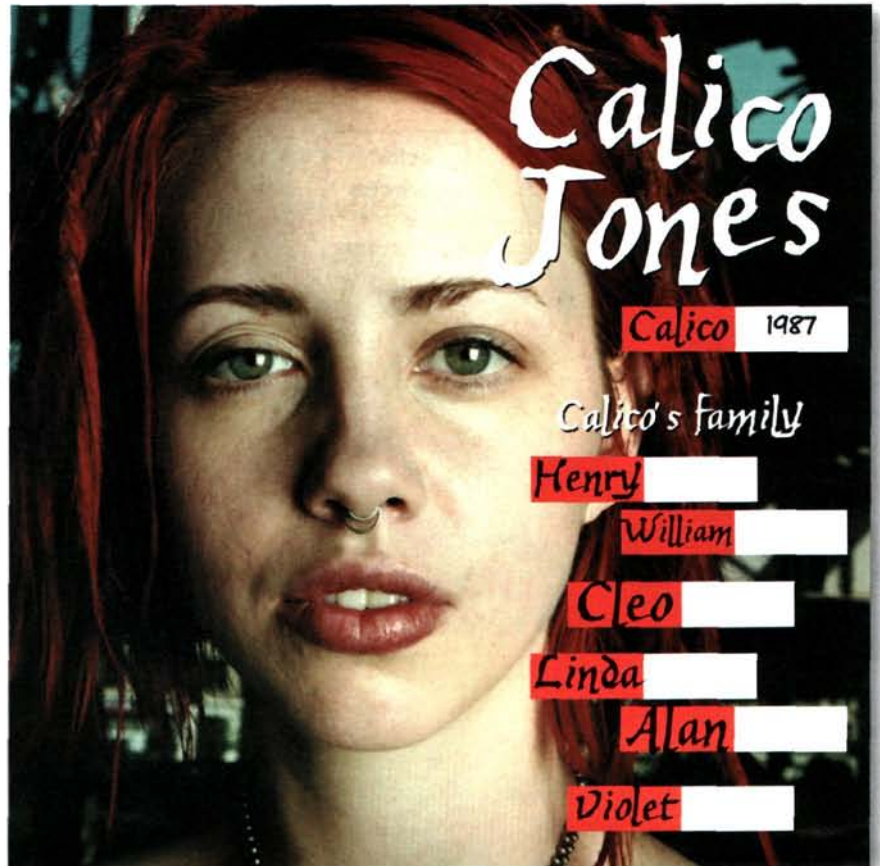
GRAMMAR SPOT

Complete the table of the verb *to be*.

	Present	Past
I	am	was
You	are	
He/She/It	is	
We	are	were
They	are	

▶▶ Grammar Reference 9.1 p125

5 **T 9.6** This is Calico Jones. Listen to her talking about her family. Write when they were born.



Ask and answer questions about the people.

Who's Cleo?

She's Calico's sister.

When was she born?

In 19 ...

Who are Linda and Alan?

They're her ...

When were they ... ?

Linda was born ...
Alan ...

6 Write the names of some people in your family. Ask and answer questions about them.

Who's Alberto?

He's my grandfather.

When was he born?

I think he was born in ...

7 Tell the class about your partner's family.

Anna's grandfather was born in 1936.
Her mother was born in 1959.

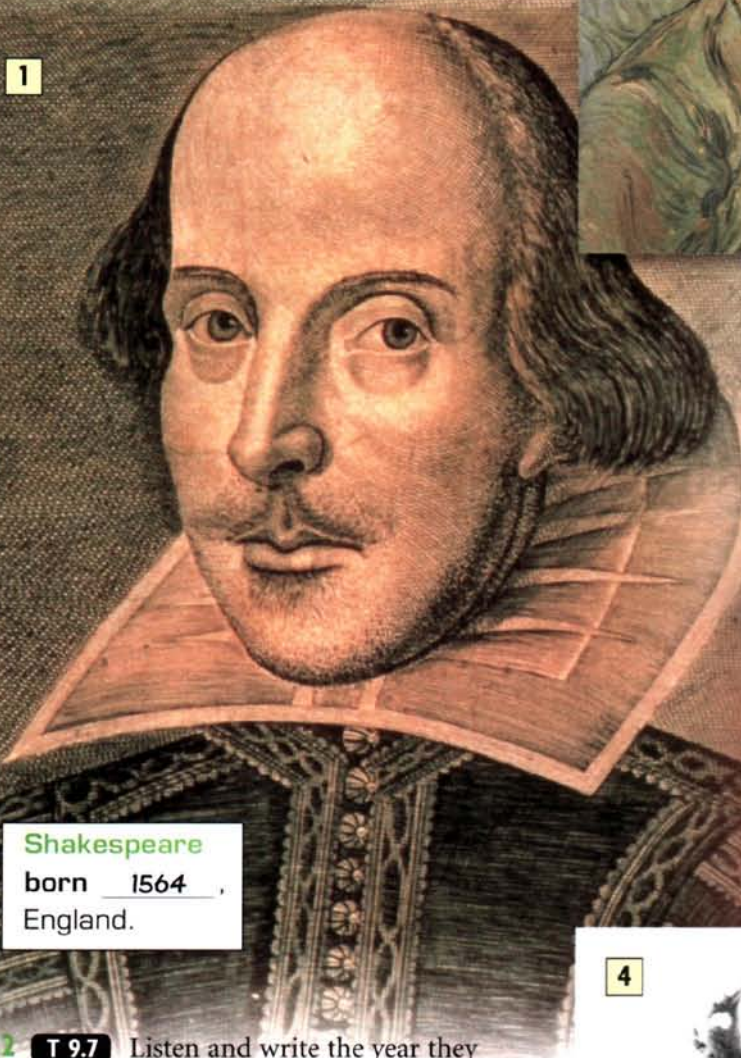
PRACTICE

Who were they?

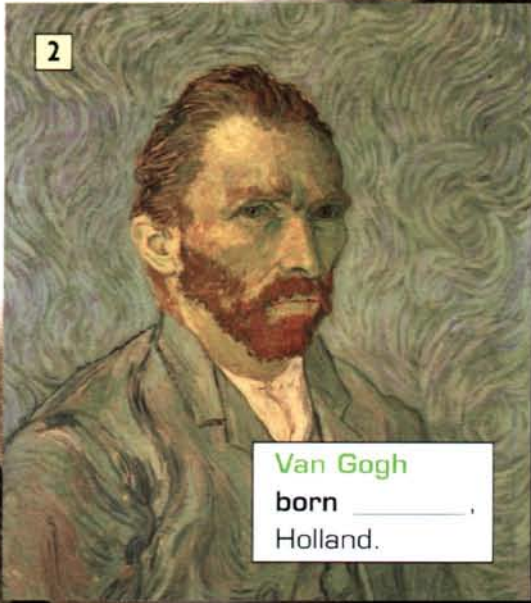
1 Do you know the people in the photographs? Match the people 1–8 and jobs.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 singer | <input type="checkbox"/> musician | <input type="checkbox"/> actor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> writer | <input type="checkbox"/> painter | <input type="checkbox"/> princess |
| <input type="checkbox"/> politician | <input type="checkbox"/> racing driver | |

1



Shakespeare
born 1564,
England.



2

Van Gogh
born _____,
Holland.



3

Beethoven
born _____,
Germany.

2 **T 9.7** Listen and write the year they were born.

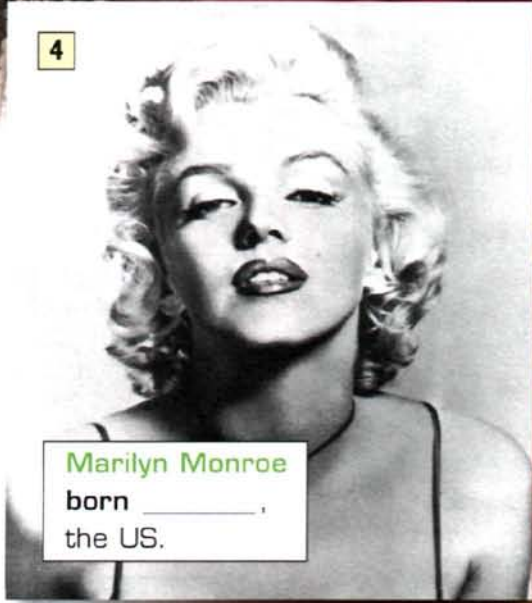
3 **T 9.8** Listen to the questions and answers. Practise them.

Who was Shakespeare? He was a writer.
Where was he born? In England.
When was he born? In 1564.

Ask and answer the questions about the other people with a partner.

Who was Van Gogh?

He was a ...



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Marilyn Monroe
born _____,
the US.



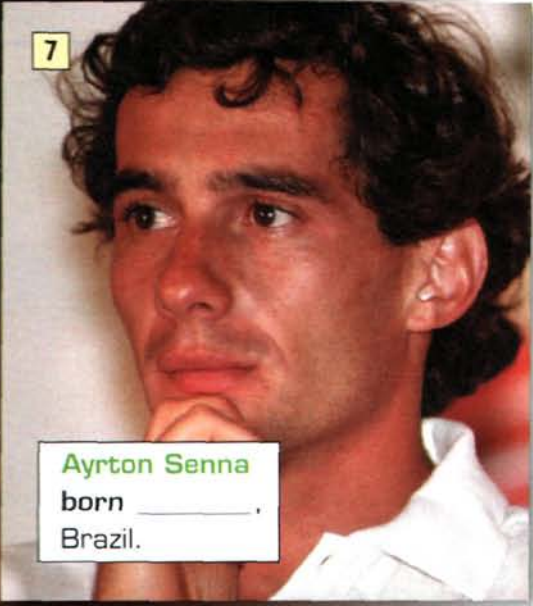
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Elvis Presley
born _____,
the US.



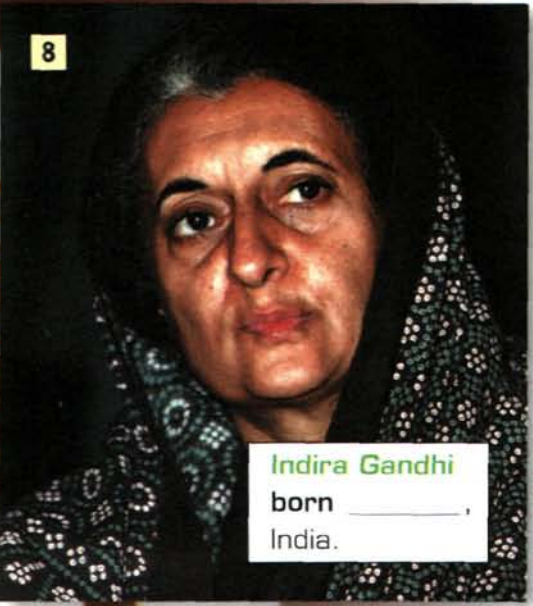
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Diana Spencer
born _____,
England.



7

Ayrton Senna
born _____,
Brazil.



8

Indira Gandhi
born _____,
India.

Negatives and pronunciation

4 **T 9.9** Listen and repeat.

Shakespeare was a painter.

No, he wasn't. He was a writer.

Shakespeare and Diana were French.

No, they weren't. They were English.

5 Write the correct information.

1 Ayrton Senna was an actor.

No, he _____.

2 Marie Curie was a princess.

No, she _____.

3 Marilyn Monroe and Elvis Presley were Italian.

No, they _____.

4 Beethoven was a scientist.

No, he _____.

5 Leonardo da Vinci and Van Gogh were musicians.

No, they _____.

6 Indira Gandhi was a singer.

No, she _____.

T 9.10 Listen, check, and repeat. Practise the sentences.

!	/wəz/	1 He was a painter.
	/wɒznt/	No, he wasn't. wasn't = was not
	/wə/	2 They were American.
	/wɜ:nt/	No, they weren't. weren't = were not

Today and yesterday

6 What is true for you? Tell a partner.

Today is ...
Yesterday was ...

Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday ...

Today I'm ...
Yesterday I was ...

at school / at home / at work ...

Today the weather is ...
Yesterday the weather was ...

hot / cold / wet / lovely / horrible ...

Today my parents are ...
Yesterday my parents were ...

at work / at home ...

Check it

7 Complete the sentences with *was*, *wasn't*, *were*, or *weren't*.

1 Where _____ your mother born?

2 When _____ your parents born?

3 No, my parents _____ both born in 1951. My father _____ born in 1951, and my mother in 1953.

4 Yes, I _____ in New York in 1999.

5 _____ he at home yesterday? No, he _____.

6 _____ you at work yesterday? Yes, we _____.

7 _____ they at school yesterday morning? No, they _____.

VOCABULARY AND READING

Past Simple – irregular verbs

1 Match the present and the past forms.
Look at the irregular verb list on p142.

Present

are

is

buy

go

say

see

take

Past

was

were

went

said

bought

took

saw



T 9.11 Listen, check, and repeat.

▶ Grammar Reference 9.2 p125

2 Look at the pictures. They tell a story.
Match the sentences and pictures.

a They bought the painting for 1,400 francs.

b The man in the market was very upset.

c They took the painting to an expert in Paris.

d Three friends went shopping in a market in France.

e The expert said the painting was worth 500 million francs.

f They saw a dirty, old painting for sale.





3 Read the story. Complete it with an irregular verb from exercise 1.

'We're millionaires!'

Florence Bayes in Paris

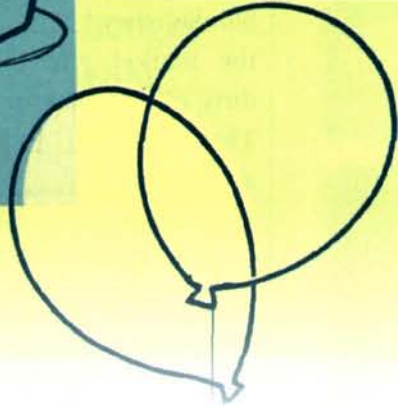
In August 1999 three friends, Jacques Proust, Guy Fadat, and François Leclerc, were on holiday in the town of Laraque in France. On Sunday they _____ shopping in the market and they _____ a dirty, old painting of the Virgin Mary. They _____ it for 1,400 francs and they _____ it to Paris. In Paris, an expert said that the painting was by Leonardo da Vinci and it _____ worth 500,000,000 francs. The man in Laraque market _____: 'I was happy to sell the painting but now I'm very upset. I don't want to think about it!'

T 9.12 Listen and check.

Read the story to a partner.

4 Look at the pictures only and tell the story to a partner.

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1 These are the months of the year. What is the correct order? Write them in the calendar.

MARCH JUNE OCTOBER APRIL FEBRUARY
NOVEMBER MAY JULY SEPTEMBER AUGUST

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T 9.13 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 9.14 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)

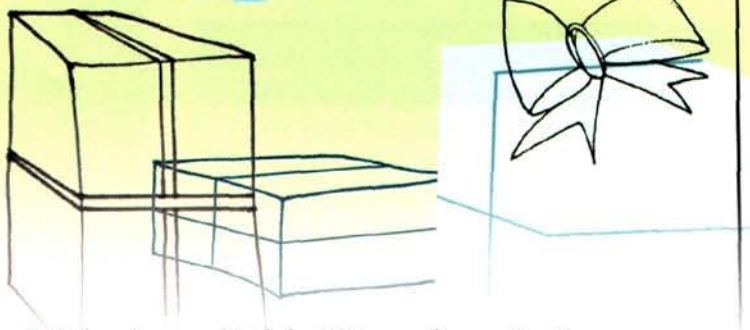
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4 Say these numbers.

16th 17th 18th 19th 20th 21st 22nd 23rd
24th 25th 26th 27th 28th 29th 30th 31st

T 9.15 Listen and check.

5 **T 9.16** Listen and write the numbers. Practise them.

the first of January
the _____ of March
the _____ of April
the _____ of May
the _____ of June
the _____ of August
the _____ of November
the _____ of December

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! 1 We say: *The third of January.*
The tenth of March.

2 We write: *3 January*
3rd January
January 3rd
3/1/02

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 on the twentieth of July 1978 at two o'clock in the morning.