

### A DESCRIPTION OF AN EVENT

1 What kinds of events do you enjoy most? Why? Think about the ideas in the box or your own ideas.

family celebrations local festivals  
music events sports events

2 Read Carl's description of an event. Then choose the correct answers in the sentences.



Last month I was in Barcelona for a big football match. It was the last game of the year and it was a lovely hot day. Before the match, I was very excited. There were lots of people there, so it was very noisy. There was lots of singing and shouting. The game was very exciting, but unfortunately my team wasn't very good that day. It was 3-2 to the other team at the end of the game, so I wasn't very happy. But everyone was very friendly, so it was still a great event!

- 1 The event was *last week / last month*.
- 2 It was a *music / sports* event.
- 3 There *were / weren't* a lot of people there.
- 4 The game was *exciting / boring*.
- 5 Carl *was / wasn't* very happy at the end.
- 6 Other people *were / weren't* friendly.

3 Look at the **Key Language for describing an event**. Find words in Carl's description to complete it.

#### KEY LANGUAGE FOR DESCRIBING AN EVENT

**Past time expressions:**

*Yesterday, last week, last* <sup>1</sup> ....., *last year, three months ago, two years ago there was / there were: There was a really good band.* <sup>2</sup> ..... lots of people.

**Adjectives to describe the event:**

*amazing, boring,* <sup>3</sup> ....., *great, interesting, noisy, terrible*

**Adjectives to describe your emotions:**

*bored,* <sup>4</sup> ....., *happy, worried*

**Adjectives to describe other people:**

<sup>5</sup> ....., *kind, nice*

**Notice!** when we use two adjectives together before a noun, we put the opinion adjective first: *There was a lovely big cake.* (*lovely* = my opinion, *big* = describing the cake)

4 Complete the sentences with the correct words.



ago last month weeks yesterday

- 1 I was at a concert six months .....
- 2 Last ....., I was with my uncle in London.
- 3 We were at a family party ..... summer.
- 4 A few ..... ago, I was in Paris with my family.
- 5 I was at my friend's birthday party .....

5 Complete the sentences about a family meal with *there was* or *there were*.



- 1 ..... about 30 people in the restaurant.
- 2 ..... some lovely food.
- 3 ..... an amazing birthday cake.
- 4 ..... lots of presents.
- 5 ..... balloons everywhere!
- 6 ..... a taxi at the end to take us home.

**6** Which adjectives describe an event and which describe your emotions? Add them to the table.

amazing angry bored boring excited  
exciting happy interesting nervous terrible

The event was ...	I was ...

**10** Write a paragraph describing the event you were at. Use your notes from Exercise 9.

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**7** Choose the adjective which doesn't fit.

- 1 The concert was *amazing* / *terrible* / *bored*.
- 2 I was really *happy* / *boring* / *excited* to see this band in a concert.
- 3 The food was *nervous* / *terrible* / *amazing*.
- 4 It was a lovely day because everyone was really *friendly* / *happy* / *terrible*.

**8** Write the adjectives in the correct order to complete the sentences. Remember to write the opinion adjective first.

- 1 There was a ..... rock band.  
(new / fantastic)
- 2 It was a ..... film.  
(boring / old)
- 3 There was a ..... present for me to open. (big / lovely)
- 4 There were some ..... players in the team. (amazing / young)
- 5 There was a ..... woman in the seat next to me. (Australian / friendly)

**9** You are going to write about an event you were at. First, make notes by answering the questions.

- When was it?
- Where was it?
- What kind of event was it?
- Who was there?
- How were you feeling before the event? What about at the end?
- What were the other people like?
- Was there food or music?
- How can you describe the event? What was the best thing?