Past Simple, There was / There were

A Write the Past Simple form of the verbs below.

1 go ...................... 5 do .......................... 9 make ..........................
2 tidy .......................... 6 fix .......................... 10 put ..........................
3 stay .......................... 7 stop .......................... 11 say ..........................
4 eat .......................... 8 cry .......................... 12 become ..........................

B Complete the sentences with the Past Simple form of the verbs in brackets.

1 I ...................... (be) at home last night. Where ...................... (be) you?
2 Peter .......................... (not go) to the library yesterday. He .......................... (stay) at home.
3 I .......................... (try) to buy some clothes yesterday, but I .......................... (not find) anything I liked.
4 “When .......................... the lesson .......................... (start)?” “It .......................... (begin) five minutes ago.”
5 Yesterday, Jane .......................... (not feel) well so she .......................... (call) the doctor.

C Write questions with the pictures below. Use the Past Simple. Then answer the questions.

1 Maggie / write you a postcard / last week

Did Maggie write a postcard last week?
No. she didn't. She sent an e-mail.

2 Alice / laugh / during the film

3 Dad / give him money / for his birthday

4 the dogs / eat food

D Complete the sentences with the correct from of there was or there were.

1 There was ...................... a mouse under the table.
2 ...................... fun games at the party?
3 ...................... three good films on TV last night.
4 ...................... lots of animals on the farm.
5 ...................... a fire in the house.
6 ...................... video cameras a long time ago?
**Past Simple, There was / There were – Answers**

**A**  
1. went  
2. tidied  
3. stayed  
4. ate  
5. did  
6. fixed  
7. stopped  
8. cried  
9. made  
10. put  
11. said  
12. became  

**B**  
1. was, were  
2. didn’t go, stayed  
3. tried, didn’t find  
4. did ... start, began  
5. didn’t feel, called  

**C**  
1. Did Maggie write a postcard last week?  
   No, she didn’t. She sent an e-mail.  
2. Did Alice laugh during the film?  
   No, she didn’t. She cried.  
3. Did Dad give him money for his birthday?  
   No, he didn’t. He bought him a bike.  
4. Did the dogs eat food?  
   No, they didn’t. They drank water.  

**D**  
1. There was  
2. Were there  
3. There were  
4. There were  
5. There was  
6. Were there