

Is it **were**, or is it **we're**?

we're = we are

You can leave the 'a' out of **are** and use an apostrophe instead. Choose **we're** if you could write **we are** instead.

Examples:

We're going to catch the bus to town.

You could also write: We are going to catch the bus to town.

We're all in this together!

You could also write: We are all in this together!

were

Something done in the past. From the verb 'to be'.

I was	we were
you were (singular)	you were (plural)
he/she/it was	they were

Examples:

We **were** late for work because we got up late.

They **were** in the garden when the storm started.

You **were** supposed to be here at 8am.

Read this text.

Can you find **we're** and **were**?

We were walking in the park when I saw my friend Ann and her husband.

"Are you better?" I asked. "You were ill last week."

"Yes, thank you." she said. "All the family were ill at the same time.

We're much better now."

"We're going for a cup of coffee in the café. Why don't you come with us?"

"I can't," she said, "because we were ill, we're late posting this birthday card, so I want to do it today."

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Complete these sentences with **were** or **we're**.

1. We _____ walking to town yesterday when it started to rain.
2. After work today _____ going into town.
3. As _____ moving house next week we need some empty boxes.
4. _____ going to the cinema on Friday.
5. They both missed the bus so they _____ late for work.
6. _____ going out for a curry this evening.
7. You _____ ill last week. Are you better now?

Now write some sentences of your own using **were** and **we're** in the correct way.

How did you do?

Tick the sentence you think is right for you.

- I've got it now!
- I need a bit more practice.
- I'm still not really sure about these words.