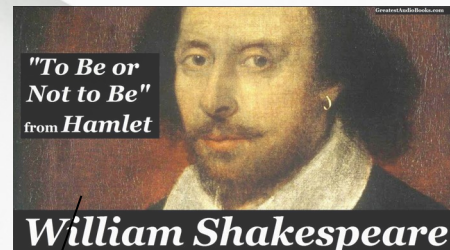


## 'être ou ne pas être'... be au présent

'To be or not to be' se demande Hamlet, mais sais-tu conjuguer ce verbe omniprésent ? Remplis les cases vides de ce tableau...



William Shakespeare

Être Be Short form

... ensuite fais cet exercice

Je\_suis\_ I\_am\_ I'\_m\_

Tu\_\_\_\_\_ You are \_\_\_\_\_

Il/elle \_\_\_\_\_ he's / she's / it's

Nous\_\_\_\_\_ We\_\_\_\_\_

Vous\_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_

Ils/elles They\_\_\_\_\_

Complete the sentences with  
'm / are / 's

- 1 I' \_\_\_\_\_ James.
- 2 What \_\_\_\_\_ your name?
- 3 How \_\_\_\_\_ you?
- 4 My name \_\_\_\_\_ Katherine.
- 5 I \_\_\_\_\_ fine, thanks.
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ you OK?
- 7 It \_\_\_\_\_ a book.

*To be, or not to be?*  
That is the question—  
Whether 'tis nobler in  
the mind to suffer  
The slings and arrows  
of outrageous fortune,  
Or to take arms against  
a sea of troubles,  
And, by opposing, end  
them

"The past beats inside me like a  
second heart."

— John Banville, The Sea



Aujourd'hui je suis en  
confinement mais il y a un mois  
j'étais à l'école

Today I'm in lockdown but one  
week ago I was at school.

Complète le tableau ci-bas.

Be au passé a seulement deux  
formes: was/were.

BE	Present	Past	Negative
I	_am_	_was_	was not / wasn't
you	_____	_were_	were not / weren't
he/she/it	_____	_was_	_____ / _____
we	_____	_____	_____ / _____
they	_____	_____	_____ / _____

PAST





## Practice

### Who were they?

1 Who are the people in the photos? Match the people 1–9 and the jobs in the box.

- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> princess             | <input type="checkbox"/> explorer   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> boxer                | <input type="checkbox"/> politician |
| <input type="checkbox"/> scientist            | <input type="checkbox"/> writer     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> astronaut | <input type="checkbox"/> architect  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> actor                |                                     |

1. Associe les neuf personnes dans les photos aux métiers dans l'encadré à gauche
2. Fais une recherche sur Internet (en anglais si tu oses), apprends pourquoi ils sont importants et écrit l'année de leur naissance dans les phrases associées à chaque image.

?–2011



1 **Neil Armstrong** was born in 1930 in Ohio, in the US.

?–1997



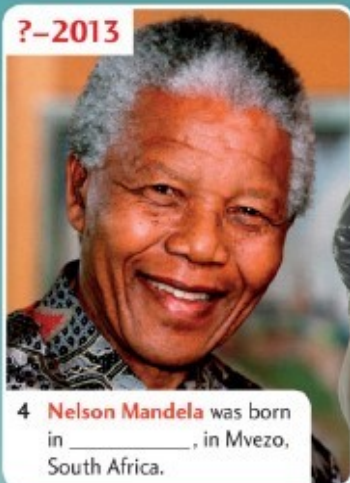
2 **Diana Spencer** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Sandringham, England.

?–2016



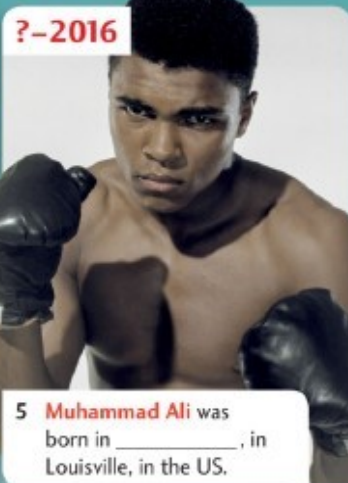
3 **Zaha Hadid** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Baghdad, Iraq.

?–2013



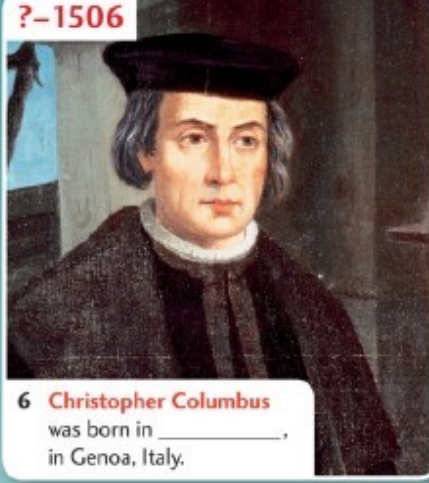
4 **Nelson Mandela** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Mvezo, South Africa.

?–2016



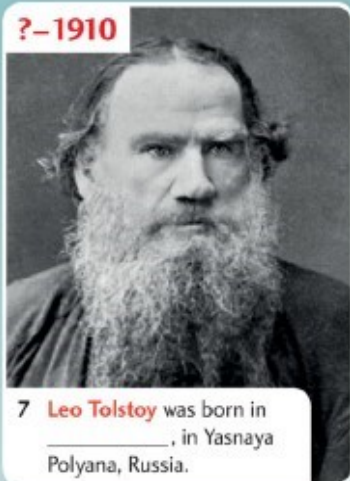
5 **Muhammad Ali** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Louisville, in the US.

?–1506



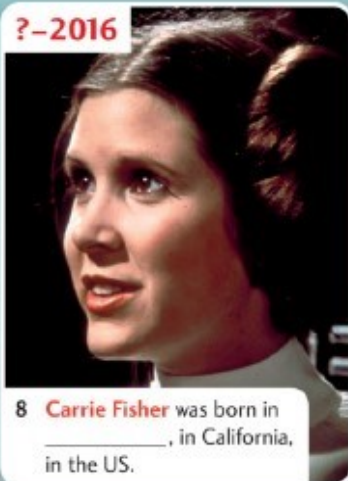
6 **Christopher Columbus** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Genoa, Italy.

?–1910



7 **Leo Tolstoy** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Yasnaya Polyana, Russia.

?–2016



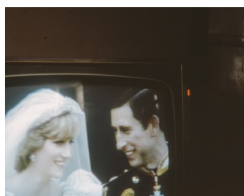
8 **Carrie Fisher** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in California, in the US.

?–1934



9 **Marie Curie** was born in \_\_\_\_\_, in Warsaw, Poland.

## Ex. 1 Ecris les questions et les réponses.



## Asking questions

Reproduis les questions et réponses de cet exemple pour le reste des personnages:

1. **Who was Neil Armstrong?**  
He was an astronaut  
**Where was he born?**  
In Ohio, in the US.  
**When was he born?**  
In 1930.
2. Who \_\_\_\_ Diana Spencer?  
She \_\_\_\_ a princess  
Where \_\_\_\_ she born?  
In Sandringham, England.  
When was \_\_\_\_ born?  
In 1961
3. Who \_\_\_\_ Zaha Hadid? She was an \_\_\_\_  
Where \_\_\_\_? She \_\_\_\_ in Baghdad  
When \_\_\_\_? She \_\_\_\_ in 1950.
4. \_\_\_\_ Nelson Mandela?
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.

## Ex. 2 Faux! Corrige les réponses.

Correct the information.

- 1 Christopher Columbus was a scientist.  
No, he wasn't ! He was an explorer !
- 2 Zaha Hadid was a princess.  
No, she \_\_\_\_ ! \_\_\_\_ !
- 3 Marie Curie was born in 1919.  
No, she \_\_\_\_ ! \_\_\_\_ !
- 4 Diana Spencer and Amy Winehouse were born in the US.  
No, they \_\_\_\_ ! \_\_\_\_ !
- 5 Nelson Mandela and Neil Armstrong were both politicians.  
No, they \_\_\_\_ ! Mandela \_\_\_\_ a politician, but Armstrong \_\_\_\_ !
- 6 Leo Tolstoy was an Italian actor.  
No, he \_\_\_\_ ! \_\_\_\_ !

## Ex. 3 Today and yesterday.

Ecris des réponses vraies dans les cadres

Today is ...	Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday ...
Yesterday was ...	
Today I'm ...	at school / at home / at work ...
Yesterday I was ...	
Today the weather is ...	hot / cold / wet / lovely / horrible ...
Yesterday the weather was ...	
Today my parents are ...	at home / at work ...
Yesterday my parents were ...	

## Ex.4 Remplis les phrases avec BE au passé.

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

- 1 Where was your mother born?
- 2 When \_\_\_\_\_ your parents born?
- 3 My parents \_\_\_\_\_ born in 1965. My father was born in 1962, and my mother in 1967.
- 4 No, I \_\_\_\_\_ on holiday in Barcelona in 2015.
- 5 '\_\_\_\_\_ he at home yesterday?'  
'No, he \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 6 '\_\_\_\_\_ you at work yesterday?'  
'Yes, we \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 7 '\_\_\_\_\_ they at school yesterday morning?'  
'No, they \_\_\_\_\_.'

Ex.5 Ecris un court paragraphe AU PASSE sur toi, tes parents, tes frères et sœurs. Utilise le verbe BE au passé.

I WAS BORN, THEY WERE HAPPY...



Lis les biographies des deux personnages, en t'aidant d'un dictionnaire. Note les mots nouveaux dans ton cahier.  
Ensuite répond aux questions

## Andy Warhol

1928–1987



Andy Warhol was an American painter and filmmaker. He was famous for his pictures of everyday things, like tins of soup and Coca-Cola bottles, and portraits of celebrities such as Marilyn Monroe.

He was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. His parents were born in Slovakia and immigrated to the US in 1914. His father was a coal miner. The family were Catholic, and Warhol was religious all his life.

As a child, Andy Warhol was often ill, and was not at school for a long time. He was a student of art in Pittsburgh. In 1949 he went to New York. Here he was a painter in advertising and magazines.

In the 1960s he started The Factory, a centre for artists, musicians, and writers.

All his life Warhol was afraid of doctors and hospitals. He died in a hospital in New York after an operation.

## Princess Diana

1961–1997



Princess Diana was the first wife of Charles, Prince of Wales.

She was born in Sandringham, England. Her father was John, Earl Spencer, and her mother was Frances, Viscountess Althorp. They were both friends of the Royal family. Her parents divorced in 1969. She wasn't a happy child.

Diana was at a lot of schools, but she wasn't a good student. In London she was a dance teacher and a teacher in a children's school. She met Prince Charles in 1980 at a party.

She was 20 years old when she married Prince Charles. She had two sons, William and Harry, but her marriage wasn't happy. She and Charles divorced in 1996. After her divorce, Diana was very busy with charity work, visiting hospitals and poor countries in Africa.

She died in a car accident in Paris in August 1997. She was with Dodi Al-Fayed.

Answer the questions about Andy Warhol.

- 1 What was he famous for?
- 2 Where was he born?
- 3 Where were his parents from?
- 4 What was his father's job?
- 5 Was he a healthy child?
- 6 What was his job in New York?
- 7 What was The Factory?
- 8 What was he afraid of?

Answer the questions about Princess Diana.

- 1 Where was she born?
- 2 Who were her parents?
- 3 Who were her parents' friends?
- 4 Was she a happy child?
- 5 What was her job in London?
- 6 How old was she when she married Charles?
- 7 Where was she when she died?
- 8 Who was she with?