Was and Were, There was and There were Exercise

The cat was angry

There were 3 birds in a tree

A Fill the gaps with the correct forms of was, were, there was and there were.

1 .................................. a lot of people in the supermarket.
2 The big monkey ......................... wild.
3 .................................. a lion in our wardrobe.
4 .................................. some rice in a jar.
5 My sister ......................... excited about seeing Narnia.
6 .................................. a hobbit sitting on a bench in the garden.
7 .................................. the bears big?
8 .................................. Suzanne angry about it?
9 .................................. any problems?
10 .................................. much traffic yesterday?

B Fill the gaps with wasn’t, weren’t, there wasn’t and there weren’t.

1 Romeo ......................... at home.
2 .................................. any milk in the fridge.
3 .................................. many people in church.
4 Tony and Condoleeza ......................... at breakfast.

C Now write some examples of your own.

1 ........................................................................................................
2 ........................................................................................................
3 ........................................................................................................
4 ........................................................................................................
Answers

A
1. There were a lot of people in the supermarket.
2. The big monkey was wild.
3. There was a lion in our wardrobe.
4. There was some rice in a jar.
5. My sister was excited about seeing Narnia.
6. There was a hobbit sitting on a bench in the garden.
7. Were the bears big?
8. Was Suzanne angry about it?
9. Were there any problems?
10. Was there much traffic yesterday?

B
1. Romeo wasn't at home.
2. There wasn't any milk in the fridge.
3. There weren't many people in church.
4. Tony and Condoleezza weren't at breakfast.