

THERE + TO BE AND SHORT ANSWERS

THERE IS/ARE

EXERCISE 1

Complete the sentences with “there is” or “there are”.

e.g. There's a bathroom on the ground floor.

There are two bathrooms in the house.

1. _____ eight rooms in the house.
2. _____ a kitchen on the ground floor.
3. _____ a bathroom upstairs.
4. _____ two armchairs in the living room.
5. _____ an old mirror in the bedroom.

EXERCISE 2.

Rewrite the affirmative sentences in exercise 1 to make questions.

e.g. Is there a bathroom on the ground floor?

Are there two bathrooms in the house?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

EXERCISE 3.

Rewrite the sentences in exercise 2 in the negative form.

e.g. *There isn't a bathroom on the ground floor.*

There aren't two bathrooms in the house.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

EXERCISE 4.

Answer the questions with short answers.

e.g. Is there a bathroom downstairs?

Yes, there is.

Is there a bedroom downstairs?

No, there isn't.

Are there three bedrooms upstairs?

Yes, there are.

Are there two kitchens downstairs?

No, there aren't.

1. Is there a kitchen upstairs?

No, _____

2. Are there three sofas in the living room?

No, _____

3. Are there two armchairs?

Yes, _____

4. Is there a garden?

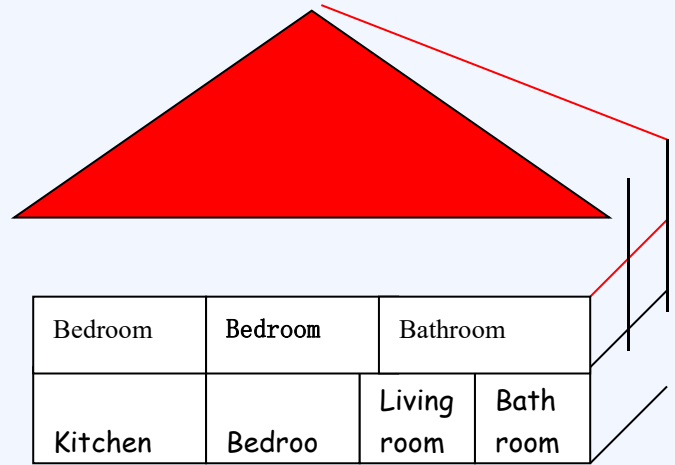
Yes, _____

5. Is there a dog in the garden?

No, _____

EXERCISE 5

Look at the pictures of the house and answer the questions with short answers.



1. Is there a sofa in the living room?

2. Are there three bedrooms in the house?

3. Is there a kitchen upstairs?

4. Are there two bathrooms upstairs?

5. Is there a table downstairs?

THERE WAS/ THERE WERE

EXERCISE 1.

Fill in the blanks using *there was/ wasn't* or *there were/ weren't*

E.g. *There were many dead bodies in the scene of the crime.*

1. At the station _____ only one direct train.
2. _____ a bank robbery yesterday.
3. _____ fingerprints all over the place.

4. _____ any fingerprints in the knife.
5. _____ an inspector who interviewed all the suspects.
6. _____ any wounds on the victim's body.
7. _____ many people in the underground yesterday.
8. _____ a special offer on first class tickets.
9. _____ enough time to hear the suspects alibi.
10. _____ a winner in last night's lottery.

PRESENT PERFECT OF THERE IS/THERE ARE

EXERCISE 1.

Correct the following sentences, using the present perfect.

e.g. There is a lot of interest in the stock exchange since the 1920's.

There has been a lot of interest in the stock exchange since the 1920's.

1. There are many accidents in the underground since 1995.

2. In the last 50 years, there is an increase in the price of train tickets.

There are many changes in my timetable since I started working.

3. There are some special offers in the mall since last summer.

4. In my neighbourhood there are some robberies lately.
