

SCENE 44 • GRAMMAR

Var ni? / sov du?

Past questions and negatives

6 Exercises · Duration: 20 min.

The festival

Swedish

Read & listen online ↗



Past questions and negatives

Past verbs do not change with plural subjects: **vi var, ni sov, de**

hörde. Invert verb and subject in questions: **Sov du? Var var ni?**

Put **inte** after the finite past verb in a main statement: **Jag sov inte**.

Object pronouns stay the same: **Alla hörde dig. Jag blundade**
means I closed my eyes; it is different from sleeping.

Var var ni?

Where were you all?

Sov du under konserten?

Did you sleep during the concert?

Jag sov inte.

I did not sleep.

Alla hörde dig.

Everyone heard you.

Vi såg inte allt.

We did not see everything.

Hon tog bilder.

She took photos.

GRAMMAR**G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL PATTERN**

Underline the form practised in this unit.

1 Var var ni?

Meaning: Where were you all?

2 Sov du under konserten?

Meaning: Did you sleep during the concert?

3 Jag sov inte.

Meaning: I did not sleep.

4 Alla hörde dig.

Meaning: Everyone heard you.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Use the English meaning and the pattern in this unit.

1 Var _____ ni?

- ☐ A är
- ☐ B vara
- ☐ C var

Meaning: Where were you all?

2 _____ du under konserten?

- ☐ A Sova
- ☐ B Sov
- ☐ C Sover

Meaning: Did you sleep during the concert?

3 Jag _____ inte.

- ☐ A sover
- ☐ B sova
- ☐ C sov

Meaning: I did not sleep.

4 Alla _____ dig.

- ☐ A hör
- ☐ B hörde
- ☐ C höra

Meaning: Everyone heard you.

5 Vi _____ inte allt.

- ☐ A ser
- ☐ B såg
- ☐ C se

Meaning: We did not see everything.

6 Hon _____ bilder.

- ☐ A tog
- ☐ B tar
- ☐ C ta

Meaning: She took photos.

G3) COMPLETE THE MESSAGES

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

sov sover

Jag _____ inte.

Meaning: I did not sleep.

hörde hör

Alla _____ dig.

Meaning: Everyone heard you.

såg ser

Vi _____ inte allt.

Meaning: We did not see everything.

tog tar

Hon _____ bilder.

Meaning: She took photos.

G4) BUILD A SENTENCE

Put the words in order.

1

ni?

var

Var

Meaning: Where were you all?

2

Sov

du

under

konserten?

Meaning: Did you sleep during the concert?

3

Jag

inte.

sov

Meaning: I did not sleep.

4

Alla

dig.

hörde

Meaning: Everyone heard you.

5

inte

såg

Vi

allt.

Meaning: We did not see everything.

6

bilder.

Hon

tog

Meaning: She took photos.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 Where were you all? You say:

- ☐ A Var var ni?
- ☐ B Var är ni?

2 Did you sleep during the concert? You say:

- ☐ A Sov du under konserten?
- ☐ B Sover du under konserten?

3 I did not sleep. You say:

- ☐ A Jag sover inte.
- ☐ B Jag sov inte.

4 Everyone heard you. You say:

- ☐ A Alla hörde dig.
- ☐ B Alla hör dig.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ① Alla hörde dig. | ① A Where were you all? |
| ② Vi såg inte allt. | ② B She took photos. |
| ③ Jag sov inte. | ③ C Everyone heard you. |
| ④ Sov du under konserten? | ④ D I did not sleep. |
| ⑤ Var var ni? | ⑤ E We did not see everything. |
| ⑥ Hon tog bilder. | ⑥ F Did you sleep during the concert? |