

In this part, you will learn to use *was* and *were* and time adverbials to talk about past states.

Last year Four years ago	I he she	was	naughty. fat. short.
	you we they	were	

Simple past tense

Let's meet Amanda. She is trying to describe herself.



Hi! I am Amanda.
Do you want to see my
baby picture?

I am tall.



This describes how
she is now.

Simple past tense

Let's meet Amanda. She is trying to describe herself.

~ I was a baby in this picture.



I **was** short.



This describes how she was **in the past**.

Simple past tense

Let's compare Amanda's appearance now and before.

NOW



I am tall.

IN THE PAST



I **was** short.



X I am short.

Simple past tense

Let's compare Amanda's appearance now and before.



— We also use *was* with *he* and *she*.

was

Let's compare Amanda's appearance now and before.

NOW



I am tall.
She is tall.
He is tall.

IN THE PAST



I **was** short.
She **was** short.
He **was** short.

were

This time, Bianca is going to describe her brother and sister now and before.

in the past



They were kindergarten

✗ They ~~was~~ naughty.

They **were** naughty.

We use **were** with **you, we** and **they**.

now



Now they are good.

were

This time, Bianca is going to describe her brother and sister now and before.

in the past



They **were** naughty.
When?



now



Now they are good.

were

This time, Bianca is going to describe her brother and sister now and before.

in the past



Four years ago

They were naughty.

now



Now they are good.

were

This time, Bianca is going to describe her brother and sister now and before.

in the past



Four years ago
Four years ago they
They were naughty.
Were naughty.

now



Now they are good.

were

This time, Bianca is going to describe her brother and sister now and before.

in the past



We use time adverbials to talk about a point of time.

Four years ago they were naughty.

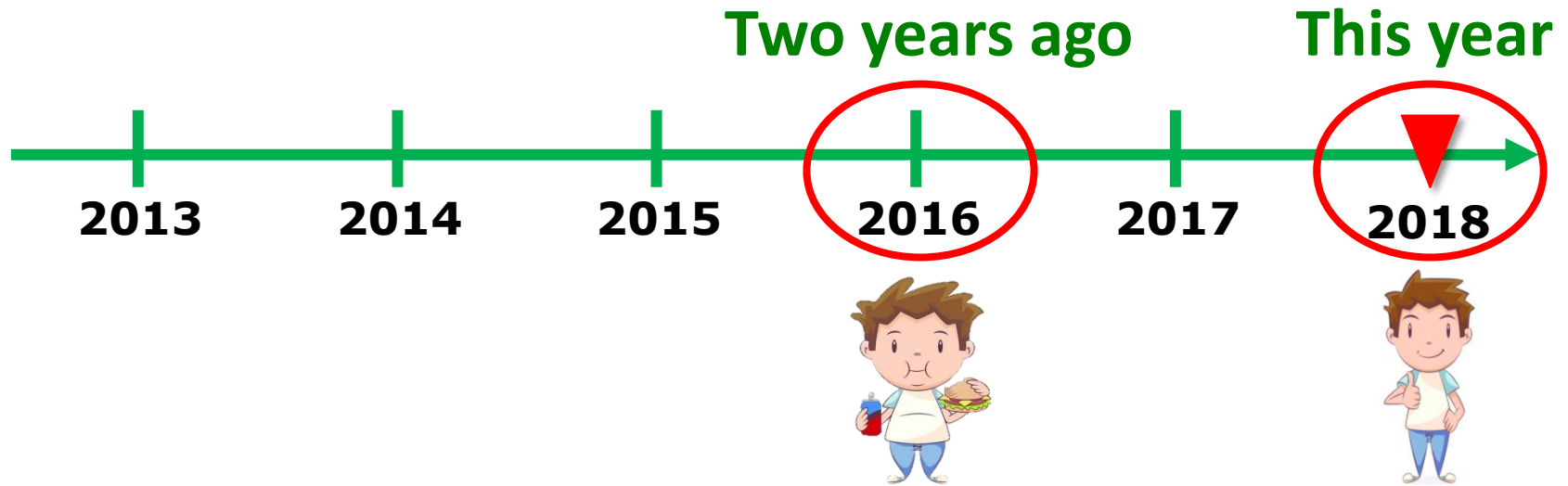
now



Now they are good.

Time adverbials

Let's learn to use more time adverbials.



Two years ago he **was** fat.

This year he is thin.

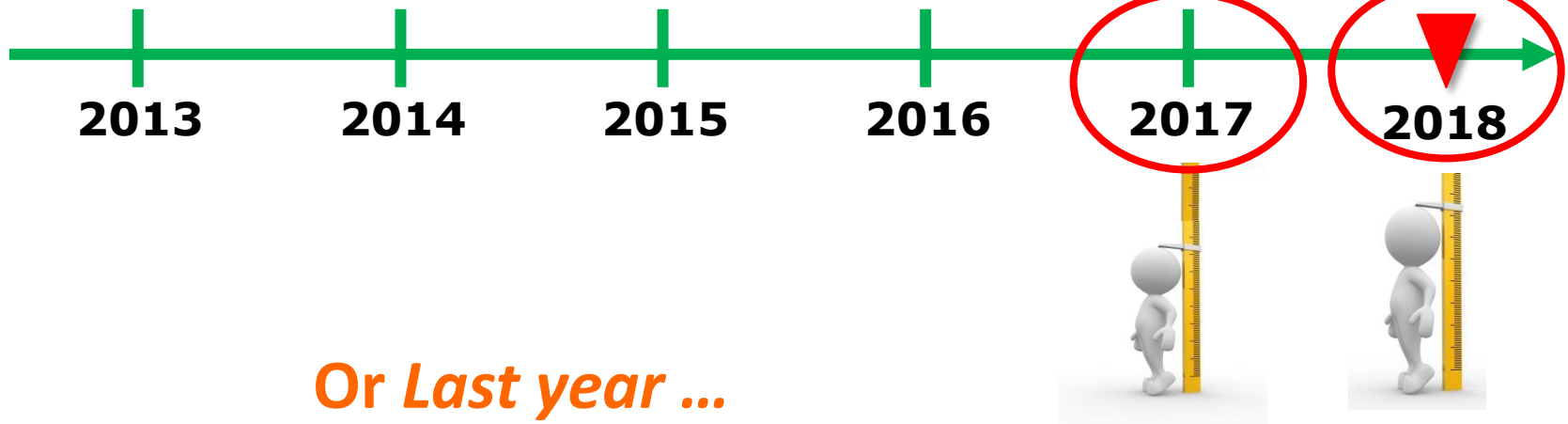
Or Now ...

Time adverbials

Let's learn to use more time adverbials.

One year
ago

This year



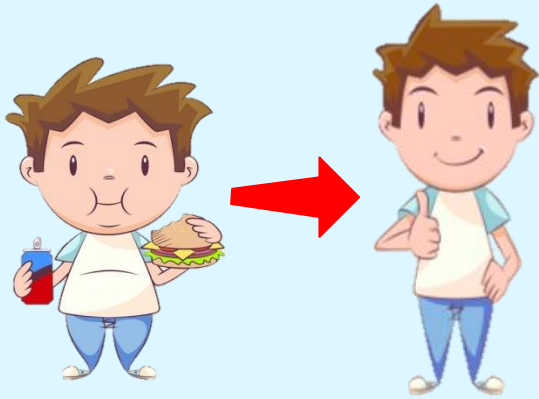
Or Last year ...

One year ago you **were** short.

This year you are tall.

Review

	Present tense	Past tense
be	is / am are	was were



Four years ago I **was** fat.
Now I am thin.

Last year they **were** short.
This year they are tall.



Quick Check

1. **Before** or **now**? Label the boxes.

**Last year I was
thin.**

This year I am fat.



Quick Check

2. Fill in the blank.



Four years ago they _____ naughty.

Quick Check

3. Fill in the blanks.

2017



2018

_____ he _____ fat.

Now he _____ thin.

Quick Check

4. Fill in the blanks.

2016



2018

_____ she _____ short.

_____ she _____ tall.

Quick Check

1. **Before** or **now**? Label the boxes.

Last year I was
thin.

This year I am
fat.



Now



Before

Quick Check

2. Fill in the blank.



Four years ago they were naughty.

Quick Check

3. Fill in the blanks.

2017



2018

Last year he was fat.

Or: One year ago

Now he is thin.

Quick Check

4. Fill in the blanks.

2016



2018

Two years ago she was short.

This year she is tall.

Or: Now