

there was / were / has been / will be

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a. there was / were



TRAINS:

8:30 A.M.

9:20 A.M.

10:15 A.M.

12:10 P.M.

2:15 P.M.

The time now is 9:41 A.M.

There was a train at 9:20 A.M.

Observe:

there is / are (*present*)

→ **There is** a good movie on TV tonight.

→ We are staying at a very big hotel.

There are 200 rooms.

→ I'm thirsty, but **there isn't** anything to drink.

→ **Are there** any packages for me this afternoon?

there was / were (*past*)

→ **There was** a good movie on TV last night.

→ We stayed at a very big hotel.

There were 200 rooms.

→ When I got home, I was thirsty, but **there wasn't** anything to drink.

→ **Were there** any packages for me yesterday afternoon?

b. there has been / there have been



There's been an accident.

→ Look! **There's been** an accident.

(there's been = there has been)

→ This road is very dangerous. **There have been** many accidents on it. **but** There **was** an accident **last night**. (not "has been...last night")

c. there will be

→ Do you think **there will be** many people at the party on Friday?

→ (from the weather forecast on Fox 29 in Philadelphia) Tomorrow the weather will be cold. **There will be** some snow in the afternoon.

