



am

is

are

Verb to Be

Gold Basic Affirmative and negative

Name: _____ Class: _____

Grammar summary

Affirmative	Negative
I am → I'm	I am not → I'm not
You are → You're (one person)	You are not → You aren't
He is → He's	He is not → He isn't
She is → She's	She is not → She isn't
It is → It's	It is not → It isn't
We are → We're	We are not → We aren't
You are → You're (a group)	You are not → You aren't
They are → They're	They are not → They aren't

Also correct: he's not, she's not, it's not; you're not, we're not, they're not.

01 Complete the sentences

Write am, is or are.

1. I _____ ready.
2. Emma _____ at home.
3. You _____ my friend.
4. My books _____ in my bag.
5. We _____ at school.
6. It _____ cold today.

02 Use the short form

Rewrite each sentence with a contraction.

Example: *I am happy.* → *I'm happy.*

1. She is a doctor. _____
2. We are happy. _____
3. They are not late. _____
4. I am not tired. _____

03 Make it negative

Rewrite each sentence in the negative. Use a long or short form.

Example: *She is ready.* → *She isn't ready.*

1. He is at school. _____
2. You are from Spain. _____
3. It is sunny. _____
4. We are hungry. _____



Verb to Be

Gold Basic Questions and short answers

Grammar summary

Question	Yes	No
Am I ...?	Yes, you are.	No, you aren't.
Are you ...? (one person)	Yes, I am.	No, I'm not.
Is he ...?	Yes, he is.	No, he isn't.
Is she ...?	Yes, she is.	No, she isn't.
Is it ...?	Yes, it is.	No, it isn't.
Are we ...?	Yes, we are.	No, we aren't.
Are you ...? (a group)	Yes, we are.	No, we aren't.
Are they ...?	Yes, they are.	No, they aren't.

Positive short answers use the full verb: Yes, I am. Yes, she is.

WH questions

Who is she? What is it? Where are you from?

When is the lesson? Why are you late? How old are they?

04 Make questions

Make questions. Use the words in brackets when given.

Example: *He is tired.* → *Is he tired?*

1. She is at home. _____
2. They are ready. _____
3. Your bag is blue. (What colour) _____
4. You are from Spain. (Where) _____

05 Write short answers

Use the word in brackets to answer yes or no.

1. Is Tom a student? (yes) _____
2. Are your friends late? (no) _____
3. Are you tired? (no) _____
4. Are you and Sam classmates? (yes) _____

06 Complete the dialogue

Write am, is or are. Then practise with a partner.

A: Hello! What _____ your name?

B: My name _____ Alex.

A: Where _____ you from?

B: I _____ from Dublin.

A: _____ you a student?

B: Yes, I _____.