



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.

- I _____ ready.
- Emma _____ at home.
- You _____ my friend.
- My books _____ in my bag.
- We _____ at school.
- It _____ cold today.

02 Use the short form

Rewrite each sentence with a contraction.

Example: I am happy. → I'm happy.

- She is a doctor. _____
- We are happy. _____
- They are not late. _____
- 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.

- He is at school. _____
- You are from Spain. _____
- It is sunny. _____
- We are hungry. _____



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Gold Basic Questions and short answers

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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 _____.