



am

is

are

Verb to Be

Sapphire Challenge 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 profile

Complete with the correct form of be.

- My name _____ Maya, and I _____ thirteen.
- My brother and I _____ from Leeds.
- Our parents _____ teachers.
- Our school _____ near our house.
- I _____ good at art.
- You _____ in my class.

02 Rewrite the sentences

Use the form in brackets.

Example: She's happy. (long form) → She is happy.

- I'm not late. (long form) _____
- It is not cold. (two short forms) _____
- They're ready. (long form) _____
- You are not hungry. (two short forms) _____

03 Fix the errors

Find and correct one mistake in each sentence.

Example: He are late. → He is late.

- I have thirteen years. _____
- It are cold today. _____
- Yes, she's. (answer to Is Mia ready?) _____
- Are your brother at home? _____



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Sapphire Challenge 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 Write the right question

Use the word in brackets to ask about each sentence.

Example: *She is from Italy. (Where) → Where is she from?*

- Her name is Ella. (What) _____
- The lesson is at nine. (When) _____
- My friends are at school. (Where) _____
- He is fifteen. (How old) _____

05 Use the information

Read the statement. Write a short answer.

- Ben is tired. Is Ben tired? _____
- My friends are at school. Are they at home? _____
- You aren't late. Are you late? _____
- We are classmates. Are we classmates? _____

06 Write about yourself

Use your own ideas.

Write two true sentences with am or are.

Write one negative sentence about yourself.

Write a question with What, Where or How old.