

## Remember

### The verb to be





Check you know the forms of this important little verb

**To be** is the most common verb in the English language. It can be used as an auxiliary or a main verb.

Singular = 1		Plural = 1+	
I	am	You	are
You	are	We	are
He/she/it	is	They	are

### Uses

#### Am/Is/Are

Question ?		Positive Statement +		Negative Statement -	
	Singular	Written Form or spoken for emphasis	Contracted Form (spoken)	Written Form or spoken for emphasis	Contracted Form (spoken)
	<u>Am I?</u>	<u>I am</u>	<u>I'm</u>	<u>I am not</u>	<u>I'm not</u>
	<u>Are you?</u>	<u>You are</u>	<u>You're</u>	<u>You are not</u>	<u>You're not</u> or <u>You aren't</u>
	<u>Is he?</u> <u>Is she?</u> <u>Is it?</u>	<u>He is</u> <u>She is</u> <u>It is</u>	<u>He's</u> <u>She's</u> <u>It's</u>	<u>He is not</u> <u>She is not</u> <u>It is not</u>	<u>He isn't</u> <u>She isn't</u> <u>It isn't</u> or <u>He's not</u> <u>She's not</u> <u>It's not</u>
	Plural				
	<u>Are we?</u>	<u>We are</u>	<u>We're</u>	<u>We are not</u>	<u>We aren't</u> or <u>We're not</u>

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	<a href="#">Are they?</a>	<a href="#">They are</a>	<a href="#">They're</a>	<a href="#">They are not</a>	<a href="#">They aren't</a> or <a href="#">They're not</a>

### Examples

The verbs am / is / are are used with:-

	Am/Are	Is
<b>a noun group</b>	<b>Are</b> you an English teacher?	Mr Bean <b>is</b> an English teacher.
<b>an adjective</b>	<b>I'm</b> tired.	She <b>'s</b> English.
<b>an expression of place or time</b>	They <b>'re</b> at home.	It <b>'s</b> nine o'clock.
<b>an expression of age</b>	<b>I'm</b> 44.	He <b>'s</b> two years old.
<b>the form of the present continuous tense</b>	We <b>'re</b> learning English.	She <b>'s</b> teaching English.

	Am/Are	Is
<b>Question - ?</b>	" <i>Am I</i> disturbing you?"	"Is this your coat?"
<b>Positive Answer + Yes</b>	"Yes <i>you are</i> . We're very busy."	"Yes, it is"
<b>Negative Answer - No</b>	"No <i>you're not</i> . We <i>aren't</i> very busy."	"No, it isn't"

### Vowels and Consonants

Check you know your alphabet

### The Rhyming Alphabet

The following letters rhyme with each other

ä sound	ë sound	e sound	ï sound	O	yü sound	R Z
A	B	F	I		Q	
H	C	L	Y		U	
J	D	M			W	
K	E	N				
	G	S				
	P	X				
	T					
	V					

When spelling (especially over the phone) use the phonetic alphabet to avoid confusion.

A	<a href="#">Alpha</a>	B	<a href="#">Bravo</a>
C	<a href="#">Charlie</a>	D	<a href="#">Delta</a>
E	<a href="#">Echo</a>	F	<a href="#">Foxtrot</a>
G	<a href="#">Golf</a>	H	<a href="#">Hotel</a>



I	<a href="#">India</a>	J	<a href="#">Juliet</a>
K	<a href="#">Kilo</a>	L	<a href="#">Lima</a>
M	<a href="#">Mike</a>	N	<a href="#">November</a>
O	<a href="#">Oscar</a>	P	<a href="#">Papa</a>
Q	<a href="#">Quebec</a>	R	<a href="#">Romeo</a>
S	<a href="#">Sierra</a>	T	<a href="#">Tango</a>
U	<a href="#">Uniform</a>	V	<a href="#">Victor</a>
W	<a href="#">Whisky</a>	X	<a href="#">X-Ray</a>
Y	<a href="#">Yankee</a>	Z	<a href="#">Zulu</a>

## Learn It

Present continuous form = am/is/are + verb + ing (something is happening NOW)

You can use the **short forms**.



### Am/Is/Are doing

"What am I doing?"



"I'm standing."

"What is he doing?"



"He's sitting."

"What is she doing?"



"She's walking."

"What is it doing?"



"It's running."

"What are they doing?"



"They're playing."

"What are we doing?"



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