



There's a man on the roof.



There's a train at 10:30.

SUNDAY
MONDAY
TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY
FRIDAY
SATURDAY

7

Singular

there is ...

(**there's**)

is there ... ?

there is not ...

(**there isn't**
or **there's not**)

- There's** a big tree in the yard.
- There's** nothing on TV tonight.
- A: Do you have any money?
B: Yes, **there's** some in my wallet.
- A: Excuse me, **is there** a hotel near here?
B: Yes, **there is**. / No, **there isn't**.
- We can't go skiing. **There isn't** any snow.

Plural

there are ...

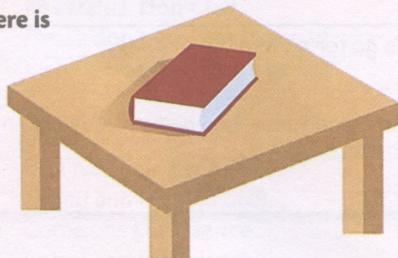
are there ... ?

there are not ... (**there aren't**)

- There are** some big trees in the yard.
- There are** a lot of accidents on this road.
- A: **Are there** any restaurants near here?
B: Yes, **there are**. / No, **there aren't**.
- This restaurant is very quiet. **There aren't** many people here.
- How many players **are there** on a soccer team?
- There are** 11 players on a soccer team.

There is and it is

there is



There's a book on the table.
(not **It's** a book on the table.)

it is



I like **this book**. **It's** interesting.
(**It** = **this book**)

Compare:

- "What's **that noise**?" "It's a train." (**It** = **that noise**)
- There's** a train at 10:30. **It's** a fast train. (**It** = **the 10:30 train**)
- There's** a lot of salt in this soup.
I don't like **this soup**. **It's** too salty. (**It** = **this soup**)

Exercises

35.1

Springfield is a small town. Look at the information in the box and write sentences about Springfield with **There is/are** or **There isn't/aren't**.

1 a golf course?	No
2 any restaurants?	Yes (a lot)
3 a hospital?	Yes
4 a swimming pool?	No
5 any movie theaters?	Yes (two)
6 a university?	No
7 any big hotels?	No

1	There isn't a golf course.
2	There are a lot of restaurants.
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	

35.2

Write sentences about your town (or a town that you know). Use **There is/are** or **There isn't/aren't**.

1 **There are a few restaurants.**

2 **There's a big park.**

3

4

5

6

35.3

Write **there is** / **there isn't** / **is there** or **there are** / **there aren't** / **are there**.

1 Springfield isn't an old town. **There aren't** any old buildings.

2 Look! **There's** a picture of your brother in the newspaper!

3 "Excuse me, **is there** a bank near here?" "Yes, at the end of the block."

4 **There are** five people in my family: my parents, my two sisters, and me.

5 "How many students **are there** in the class?" "Twenty."

6 The road is usually very quiet. **There's** much traffic.

7 " **Is there** a bus from downtown to the airport?" "Yes, every 20 minutes."

8 " **Are there** any problems?" "No, everything is OK."

9 **There aren't** anywhere to sit down. **There are** any chairs.

35.4

Write sentences with **There are** Choose from the boxes.

five twenty-six
seven thirty
eight fifty

letters days
players days
planets states

September the solar system
the United States a week
a basketball team the English alphabet

1 **There are seven days in a week.**

2

3

4

5

6

35.5

Write **there's** / **is there** or **it's** / **is it**.

1 " **There's** a flight at 10:30." " **Is it** a nonstop flight?"

2 I'm not going to buy this shirt. **It's** too expensive.

3 "What's wrong?" " **It's** something in my eye."

4 **There's** a red car outside your house. **It's** yours?

5 A: **Is there** anything good on TV tonight?

B: Yes, **there is** a show I want to see at 8:00.

6 "What's that building?" " **It's** a school."

7 " **Is there** a restaurant in this hotel?" "No, I'm afraid not."