

01 Talking about yourself

When you want to tell someone about yourself, or about people and things that relate to you, use the present simple form of "to be."

- ✿ **New language** Using "to be"
- ✿ **Vocabulary** Names, jobs, and family
- ✿ **New skill** Talking about yourself

1.1 KEY LANGUAGE "TO BE" STATEMENTS

Use the verb "to be" to talk about your name, age, nationality, and job.



Hi! I am Noah. I'm 25 years old. I'm Australian and I'm a doctor.

In conversational English, speakers often use contractions. These are shortened versions of pairs of words. "I am" can be shortened to "I'm."



1.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES "TO BE" STATEMENTS

Mia is 72 years old.



Aban is a police officer.



Jack's aunt is Canadian.



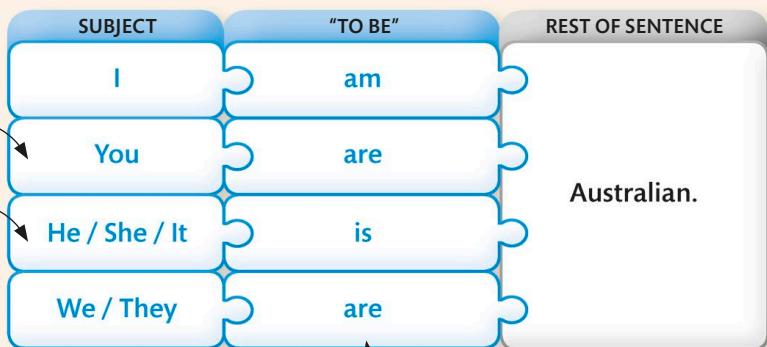
They are the Jackson family.



1.3 HOW TO FORM "TO BE" STATEMENTS

"You" in English is the same in the singular and plural.

These are pronouns. They are the subjects of these sentences.



The verb changes with the subject.



1.4 CROSS OUT THE INCORRECT WORD IN EACH SENTENCE

They **are** / **is** builders.

1 You **are** / **is** 40 years old.

2 I **am** / **is** from New Zealand.

3 He **is** / **are** my cousin.

4 We **am** / **are** British.

5 They **is** / **are** mechanics.

6 She **is** / **are** my sister.

7 We **is** / **are** scientists.

8 She **is** / **are** 21 years old.



1.5 FILL IN THE GAPS WITH "AM," "IS," OR "ARE"



I am an actor.



You are British.



He is a farmer.



They are 13 years old.



We are French.



I am an engineer.



1.6 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

Charlie is an engineer.

True False

1 Altan is American.

True False

2 Latifa is an actor.

True False

3 Ollie is 36 years old.

True False

4 Kathleen is a chef.

True False

5 Sammi is 46 years old.

True False



1.7 USE THE CHART TO CREATE 10 CORRECT SENTENCES, THEN SAY THEM OUT LOUD

I am Jack.



I
He
They

Choose a subject.

am
is
are

Choose a verb form.

Jack.
40 years old.
Canadian.
an engineer.

Finish with a name, age,
nationality, or job.



1.12 KEY LANGUAGE "TO BE" QUESTIONS

To ask a "to be" question, put the verb before the subject.

In a statement, the subject comes before the verb.

You are Canadian.

Are you Canadian?

In a question, the verb moves to the start of the sentence.

The subject comes after the verb.



1.13 FURTHER EXAMPLES "TO BE" QUESTIONS

Is **Shia** an actor?



Are **you** French?



Are **they** engineers?



Is **she** a student?



1.14 REWRITE THE SENTENCES AS QUESTIONS

She is a gardener.



Is she a gardener?

1 Alvera is a nurse.



2 Those are my keys.



3 Ruby and Farid are artists.



4 They are best friends.



1.15 SAY THESE QUESTIONS OUT LOUD, FILLING IN THE GAPS

1 Is _____ she a waitress?



2 _____ Holly your mother?



3 _____ they from Argentina?



4 _____ these your dogs?



5 _____ this Main Street?



01 ✓ CHECKLIST

Using "to be"

Aa Names, jobs, and family

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