


# am/is/are

A



My name **is** Lisa.

I'm 22.

My favourite colour **is** blue.

I'm American. I'm from Chicago.

My favourite sports **are** football and swimming.

I'm a student.

I'm interested in art.

My father **is** a doctor and my mother **is** a journalist.

I'm **not** interested in politics.

LISA

B

positive

negative

I	am	(I'm)
he		(he's)
she	<b>is</b>	(she's)
it		(it's)
we		(we're)
you	<b>are</b>	(you're)
they		(they're)

short form

I	am not	(I'm not)
he		(he's not or he isn't)
she	<b>is not</b>	(she's not or she isn't)
it		(it's not or it isn't)
we		(we're not or we aren't)
you	<b>are not</b>	(you're not or you aren't)
they		(they're not or they aren't)

short forms

- ☐ I'm cold. Can you close the window, please?
- ☐ I'm 32 years old. My sister **is** 29.
- ☐ Steve **is** ill. He's in bed.
- ☐ My brother **is** scared of dogs.
- ☐ It's ten o'clock. You're late again.
- ☐ Ann and I **are** good friends.
- ☐ Your keys **are** on the table.
- ☐ I'm tired, but I'm **not** hungry.
- ☐ Lisa **isn't** interested in politics. She's interested in art.
- ☐ James **isn't** a teacher. He's a student.
- ☐ Those people **aren't** English. They're Australian.
- ☐ It's sunny today, but it **isn't** warm.



C

that's = that **is**    there's = there **is**    here's = here **is**

- ☐ Thank you. That's very kind of you.
- ☐ Look! There's Chris.
- ☐ 'Here's your key.' 'Thank you.'



## Exercises

1.1 Write the short form (**she's** / **we aren't** etc.).

- 1 she is she's                      3 it is not .....                      5 I am not .....  
 2 they are .....                      4 that is .....                      6 you are not .....

1.2 Write **am**, **is** or **are**.

- 1 The weather is nice today.                      5 Look! There ..... Helen.  
 2 I ..... not rich.                      6 My brother and I ..... good tennis players.  
 3 This bag ..... heavy.                      7 Emily ..... at home. Her children ..... at school.  
 4 These bags ..... heavy.                      8 I ..... a taxi driver. My sister ..... a nurse.

## 1.3 Complete the sentences.

- 1 Steve is ill. He's in bed.  
 2 I'm not hungry, but ..... thirsty.  
 3 Mr Thomas is a very old man. .... 98.  
 4 These chairs aren't beautiful, but ..... comfortable.  
 5 The weather is nice today. .... warm and sunny.  
 6 '..... late.' 'No, I'm not. I'm early!'  
 7 Catherine isn't at home. .... at work.  
 8 '..... your coat.' 'Oh, thank you very much.'

## 1.4 Look at Lisa's sentences in 1A. Now write sentences about yourself.

- 1 (name?) My .....                      5 (favourite colour or colours?)  
 2 (age?) I ..... My .....  
 3 (from?) I .....                      6 (interested in ... ?)  
 4 (job?) I ..... I .....

## 1.5 Write sentences for the pictures. Use:

**angry**    **cold**    **hot**    **hungry**    **scared**    ~~**thirsty**~~



- 1 She's thirsty.                      3 He .....                      5 .....  
 2 They .....                      4 .....                      6 .....

1.6 Write true sentences, positive or negative. Use **is/isn't** or **are/aren't**.

- 1 (it / hot today) It isn't hot today. or It's hot today.  
 2 (it / windy today) It .....  
 3 (my hands / cold) My .....  
 4 (Brazil / a very big country) .....  
 5 (diamonds / cheap) .....  
 6 (Toronto / in the US) .....

Write true sentences, positive or negative. Use **I'm** / **I'm not**.

- 7 (tired) I'm tired. or I'm not tired.  
 8 (hungry) I .....  
 9 (a good swimmer) .....  
 10 (interested in football) .....

# am/is/are (questions)

A

positive

question

I	am
he she it	is
we you they	are

am	I?
is	he? she? it?
are	we? you? they?



What's your name?

Are you married?

How old are you?

Are you a student?

David.

No, I'm not.

25.

Yes, I am.



- ☐ 'Am I late?' 'No, **you're** on time.'
- ☐ 'Is **your mother** at home?' 'No, **she's** out.'
- ☐ 'Are **your parents** at home?' 'No, **they're** out.'
- ☐ 'Is **it** cold in your room?' 'Yes, a little.'
- ☐ **Your shoes are** nice. **Are they** new?

We say:

- ☐ **Is she** at home? / **Is your mother** at home? (not Is at home your mother?)
- ☐ **Are they** new? / **Are your shoes** new? (not Are new your shoes?)

B

Where ... ? / What ... ? / Who ... ? / How ... ? / Why ... ?

- ☐ **Where is** your mother? Is she at home?
- ☐ 'Where **are** you from?' 'Canada.'
- ☐ 'What colour **is** your car?' 'It's red.'
- ☐ 'How old **is** Joe?' 'He's 24.'
- ☐ **How are** your parents? Are they well?
- ☐ These shoes are nice. **How much are** they?
- ☐ This hotel isn't very good. **Why is** it so expensive?

what's = what is who's = who is how's = how is where's = where is

- ☐ **What's** the time?
- ☐ **Who's** that man?
- ☐ **Where's** Lucy?
- ☐ **How's** your father?

C

Short answers

Yes,	I	am.
	he she it	is.
	we you they	are.

No,	I'm	not.
	he's she's it's	
	we're you're they're	

or

No,	he she it	<b>isn't.</b>
	we you they	<b>aren't.</b>

- ☐ 'Are you tired?' 'Yes, I am.'
- ☐ 'Are you hungry?' 'No, I'm not, but I'm thirsty.'
- ☐ 'Is your friend English?' 'Yes, he is.'
- ☐ 'Are these **your keys**?' 'Yes, they are.'
- ☐ 'That's my seat.' 'No, it isn't.'





## 2.1 Find the right answers for the questions.

- 1 Where's the camera?
- 2 Is your car blue?
- 3 Is Kate from London?
- 4 Am I late?
- 5 Where's Amy from?
- 6 What colour is your bag?
- 7 Are you hungry?
- 8 How is George?
- 9 Who's that woman?

- A London.
- B No, I'm not.
- C Yes, you are.
- D My sister.
- E Black.
- F No, it's black.
- G In your bag.
- H No, she's American.
- I Very well.

- 1 G
- 2 .....
- 3 .....
- 4 .....
- 5 .....
- 6 .....
- 7 .....
- 8 .....
- 9 .....

## 2.2 Make questions with these words.

- 1 (is / at home / your mother) Is your mother at home ?
- 2 (your parents / are / well) Are your parents well ?
- 3 (interesting / is / your job) ..... ?
- 4 (the shops / are / open today) ..... ?
- 5 (from / where / you / are) ..... ?
- 6 (interested in sport / you / are) ..... ?
- 7 (is / near here / the station) ..... ?
- 8 (at school / are / your children) ..... ?
- 9 (you / are / late / why) ..... ?

## 2.3 Complete the questions. Use **What ... / Who ... / Where ... / How ...**.

- 1 How are your parents?
- 2 ..... the bus stop?
- 3 ..... your children?
- 4 ..... these oranges?
- 5 ..... your favourite sport?
- 6 ..... the man in this photo?
- 7 ..... your new shoes?

They're very well.  
At the end of the street.  
Five, six and ten.  
£1.50 a kilo.  
Skiing.  
That's my father.  
Black.

## 2.4 Write the questions.

- 1 (name?) What's your name?
- 2 (American?) .....
- 3 (how old?) .....
- 4 (a teacher?) .....
- 5 (married?) .....
- 6 (wife a lawyer?) .....
- 7 (from?) .....
- 8 (her name?) .....
- 9 (how old?) .....

PAUL  
Paul.  
No, I'm Australian.  
I'm 30.  
No, I'm a lawyer.  
Yes, I am.  
No, she's a designer.  
She's Italian.  
Anna.  
She's 27.

## 2.5 Write short answers (**Yes, I am.** / **No, he isn't.** etc.).

- 1 Are you married? No, I'm not.
- 2 Are you thirsty? .....
- 3 Is it cold today? .....
- 4 Are your hands cold? .....
- 5 Is it dark now? .....
- 6 Are you a teacher? .....

## I do/work/like etc. (present simple)

A



They have a lot of books.  
They **read** a lot.



He's eating an ice cream.  
He **likes** ice cream.

They **read** / he **likes** / I **work** etc. = the *present simple*:

I/we/you/they	<b>read</b>	<b>like</b>	<b>work</b>	<b>live</b>	<b>watch</b>	<b>do</b>	<b>have</b>
he/she/it	<b>reads</b>	<b>likes</b>	<b>works</b>	<b>lives</b>	<b>watches</b>	<b>does</b>	<b>has</b>

Remember:

**he works** / **she lives** / **it rains** etc.

- ☐ I **work** in a shop. **My brother works** in a bank. (*not* My brother work)
- ☐ **Lucy lives** in London. **Her parents live** in Scotland.
- ☐ **It rains** a lot in winter.

I **have** → he/she/it **has**:

- ☐ **Joe has** a shower every day.

Spelling (→ Appendix 5):

<b>-es</b> after <b>-s</b> / <b>-sh</b> / <b>-ch</b> :	pass → passes	finish → finishes	watch → watches
<b>-y</b> → <b>-ies</b> :	study → studies	try → tries	
<i>also</i> :	do → does	go → goes	

B

We use the present simple for things that are true in general, or for things that happen sometimes or all the time:

- ☐ I **like** big cities.
- ☐ Your English is good. You **speak** very well.
- ☐ Tom **works** very hard. He **starts** at 7.30 and **finishes** at 8 o'clock in the evening.
- ☐ The earth **goes** round the sun.
- ☐ We **do** a lot of different things in our free time.
- ☐ It **costs** a lot of money to build a hospital.

C

**always/never/often/usually/sometimes** + present simple

- ☐ Sue **always gets** to work early. (*not* Sue gets always)
- ☐ I **never eat** breakfast. (*not* I eat never)
- ☐ We **often go** away at weekends.
- ☐ Mark **usually plays** football on Sundays.
- ☐ I **sometimes walk** to work, but not very often.

## 5.1 Write these verbs with -s or -es.

- 1 (read) she reads      3 (fly) it .....      5 (have) she .....  
2 (think) he .....      4 (dance) he .....      6 (finish) it .....

## 5.2 Complete the sentences about the people in the pictures. Use:

eat   go   live   ~~play~~   play   sleep



- 1 He plays the piano.      4 ..... tennis.  
2 They ..... in a very big house.      5 ..... to the cinema a lot.  
3 ..... a lot of fruit.      6 ..... seven hours a night.

## 5.3 Complete the sentences. Use:

boil   close   cost   cost   like   like   meet   open   ~~speaks~~   teach   wash

- 1 Maria speaks four languages.  
2 The shops in the city centre usually ..... at 9 o'clock in the morning.  
3 The City Museum ..... at 5 o'clock in the evening.  
4 Tina is a teacher. She ..... mathematics to young children.  
5 My job is very interesting. I ..... a lot of people.  
6 Peter's car is always dirty. He never ..... it.  
7 Food is expensive. It ..... a lot of money.  
8 Shoes are expensive. They ..... a lot of money.  
9 Water ..... at 100 degrees Celsius.  
10 Laura and I are good friends. I ..... her and she ..... me.

## 5.4 Write sentences from these words. Use the right form of the verb (arrive or arrives etc.).

- 1 (always / early / Sue / arrive) Sue always arrives early.  
2 (to the cinema / never / I / go) I .....  
3 (work / Martina / hard / always) .....  
4 (like / chocolate / children / usually) .....  
5 (Jackie / parties / enjoy / always) .....  
6 (often / people's names / I / forget) .....  
7 (TV / Sam / watch / never) .....  
8 (usually / dinner / we / have / at 7.30) .....  
9 (Kate / always / nice clothes / wear) .....

## 5.5 Write sentences about yourself. Use always/never/often/usually/sometimes.

- 1 (watch TV in the evening) I usually watch TV in the evening.  
2 (read in bed) I .....  
3 (get up before 7 o'clock) .....  
4 (go to work/school by bus) .....  
5 (drink coffee in the morning) .....



## I don't ... (present simple negative)

A

The present simple negative is **don't/doesn't** + verb:She **doesn't drink** coffee.He **doesn't like** his job.

positive

negative

I	<b>work</b>	I	<b>don't</b>	<b>work like do have</b>
we	<b>like</b>	we	<b>(do not)</b>	
you	<b>do</b>	you		
they	<b>have</b>	they		
he	<b>works</b>	he	<b>doesn't</b>	<b>work like do have</b>
she	<b>likes</b>	she	<b>(does not)</b>	
it	<b>does</b>	it		
	<b>has</b>			

- ☐ I **drink** coffee, but I **don't drink** tea.
- ☐ Sue **drinks** tea, but she **doesn't drink** coffee.
- ☐ You **don't work** very hard.
- ☐ We **don't watch** TV very often.
- ☐ The weather is usually nice. It **doesn't rain** very often.
- ☐ Sam and Chris **don't know** many people.

B

Remember:

I/we/you/they **don't** ...  
he/she/it **doesn't** ...

- ☐ I **don't** like football.
- ☐ He **doesn't** like football.

- ☐ I **don't** like Fred and **Fred doesn't** like me. (not Fred don't like)
- ☐ **My car doesn't** use much petrol. (not My car don't use)
- ☐ Sometimes he is late, but **it doesn't** happen very often.

C

We use **don't/doesn't** + infinitive (don't **like** / doesn't **speak** / doesn't **do** etc.):

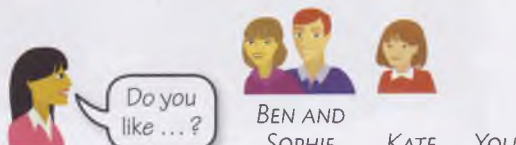
- ☐ I **don't like** washing the car. I **don't do** it very often.
- ☐ Sarah **speaks** Spanish, but she **doesn't speak** Italian. (not doesn't speaks)
- ☐ David **doesn't do** his job very well. (not David doesn't his job)
- ☐ Paula **doesn't** usually **have** breakfast. (not doesn't ... has)

## Exercises

## 6.1 Write the negative.

- I play the piano very well. *I don't play the piano very well.*
- Anna plays the piano very well. Anna .....
- They know my phone number. They .....
- We work very hard. ....
- He has a bath every day. ....
- You do the same thing every day. ....

## 6.2 Study the information and write sentences with like.



1 classical music?	yes	no	?
2 boxing?	no	yes	
3 horror movies?	yes	no	

- Ben and Sophie like classical music.*  
Kate .....  
I ..... classical music.
- Ben and Sophie .....  
Kate .....  
I .....
- .....  
.....  
.....

## 6.3 Write about yourself. Use:

**I never ... or I often ... or I don't ... very often.**

- (watch TV) *I don't watch TV very often.* or *I never watch TV.* or *I often watch TV.*
- (go to the theatre) .....
- (ride a bike) .....
- (eat in restaurants) .....
- (travel by train) .....

6.4 Complete the sentences. All of them are negative. Use **don't/doesn't** + these verbs:

**cost go know ~~rain~~ see use wear**

- The weather here is usually nice. It *doesn't rain* much.
- Paul has a car, but he ..... it very often.
- Paul and his friends like films, but they ..... to the cinema very often.
- Amanda is married, but she ..... a ring.
- I ..... much about politics. I'm not interested in it.
- The Regent Hotel isn't expensive. It ..... much to stay there.
- Ed lives very near us, but we ..... him very often.

## 6.5 Put the verb into the correct form, positive or negative.

- Margaret *speaks* four languages – English, French, German and Spanish. (speak)
- I *don't like* my job. It's very boring. (like)
- 'Where's Steve?' 'I'm sorry. I .....'. (know)
- Sue is a very quiet person. She ..... very much. (talk)
- Andy ..... a lot of tea. It's his favourite drink. (drink)
- It's not true! I ..... it! (believe)
- That's a very beautiful picture. I ..... it very much. (like)
- Mark is a vegetarian. He ..... meat. (eat)



## Do you ... ? (present simple questions)

A

We use **do/does** in present simple questions:

positive

I	<b>work</b>
we	<b>like</b>
you	<b>do</b>
they	<b>have</b>
he	<b>works</b>
she	<b>likes</b>
it	<b>does</b>
	<b>has</b>

question

<b>do</b>	I	<b>work?</b>
	we	<b>like?</b>
	you	<b>do?</b>
	they	<b>have?</b>
<b>does</b>	he	
	she	
	it	



B

Study the word order:

**do/does** + *subject* + *infinitive*

Where	<b>Do</b>	you	<b>play</b>	the guitar?
How often	<b>Do</b>	your friends	<b>live</b>	near here?
What	<b>Does</b>	Chris	<b>work</b>	on Sundays?
How much	<b>Does</b>	it	<b>rain</b>	a lot here?
	<b>do</b>	your parents	<b>live?</b>	
	<b>do</b>	you	<b>wash</b>	your hair?
	<b>does</b>	this word	<b>mean?</b>	
	<b>does</b>	it	<b>cost</b>	to fly to Rome?

Questions with **always** and **usually**:

What	<b>Does</b>	Chris	<b>always</b>	<b>work</b>	on Sundays?
	<b>do</b>	you	<b>usually</b>	<b>do</b>	at weekends?

**What do you do?** = What's your job?☐ **'What do you do?'** 'I work in a bank.'

C

Remember:

**do** I/we/you/they ...**does** he/she/it ...☐ **Do they** like music?☐ **Does he** like music?

D

Short answers

Yes,	I/we/you/they <b>do</b> .
	he/she/it <b>does</b> .
No,	I/we/you/they <b>don't</b> .
	he/she/it <b>doesn't</b> .

- ☐ **'Do you** play the guitar?' **'No, I don't.'**
- ☐ **'Do your** parents speak English?' **'Yes, they do.'**
- ☐ **'Does James** work hard?' **'Yes, he does.'**
- ☐ **'Does your** sister live in London?' **'No, she doesn't.'**

## Exercises

7.1 Write questions with **Do ... ?** and **Does ... ?**

- 1 I like chocolate. How about you? Do you like chocolate ?
- 2 I play tennis. How about you? you ?
- 3 You live near here. How about Lucy? Lucy ?
- 4 Tom plays tennis. How about his friends?  ?
- 5 You speak English. How about your brother?  ?
- 6 I do yoga every morning. How about you?  ?
- 7 Sue goes away a lot. How about Paul?  ?
- 8 I want to be famous. How about you?  ?
- 9 You work hard. How about Anna?  ?

7.2 Make questions from these words + **do/does**. Put the words in the right order.

- 1 (where / live / your parents) Where do your parents live ?
- 2 (you / early / always / get up) Do you always get up early ?
- 3 (how often / TV / you / watch)  ?
- 4 (you / want / what / for dinner)  ?
- 5 (like / you / football)  ?
- 6 (your brother / like / football)  ?
- 7 (what / you / do / in your free time)  ?
- 8 (your sister / work / where)  ?
- 9 (breakfast / always / you / have)  ?
- 10 (what / mean / this word)  ?
- 11 (in winter / snow / it / here)  ?
- 12 (go / usually / to bed / what time / you)  ?
- 13 (how much / to phone New York / it / cost)  ?
- 14 (you / for breakfast / have / usually / what)  ?

## 7.3 Complete the questions. Use these verbs:

~~do~~ do enjoy go like start teach work

- 1 What do you do ?
- 2  it?
- 3 What time  in the morning?
- 4  on Saturdays?
- 5 How  to work?
- 6 And your husband. What  ?
- 7 What  ?
- 8  his job?

I work in a bookshop.  
It's OK.  
At 9 o'clock.  
Sometimes.  
Usually by bus.  
He's a teacher.  
Science.  
Yes, he loves it.

7.4 Write short answers (**Yes, he does.** / **No, I don't.** etc.).

- 1 Do you watch TV a lot? No, I don't. or Yes, I do.
- 2 Do you live in a big city?
- 3 Do you often ride a bike?
- 4 Does it rain a lot where you live?
- 5 Do you play the piano?