

**will be**



# Mastering the 'Be' Verb

Your Guide to Describing States of Being  
in the Past, Present, and Future.

**am  
is  
are**



**was  
were**



# What is a 'Be' Verb?

'Be' verbs show a **state of being**. They don't show action; they tell us what someone or something **is**, **was**, or **will be**.



**WAS**



**IS**



**WILL BE**

# Our Journey Through Time

We will explore 'Be' verbs in three simple steps, following the natural flow of time.



**Part 2: The Past (Before)**  
Lato Regular



**Part 1: The Present (Now)**  
Lato Regular



**Part 3: The Future (After)**  
Lato Regular

# Part 1: The Present (Now)

Let's start with what's happening right now.  
We use three 'Be' verbs for the present tense: **am, is, are.**



Part 1: The Present (Now)

# The Rule for “I” in Poppins Bold

Subject



Be Verb

**am**



I **am** a teacher.

# The Rule for “He,” “She,” and “It”

Subject

Lato Regular



He / She / It

Be Verb

Lato Regular

**is**

Example Box



She **is** my friend.

# The Rule for “You,” “We,” and “They”

Subject  
Lato Regular



You / We / They

Be Verb  
Lato Regular

**are**

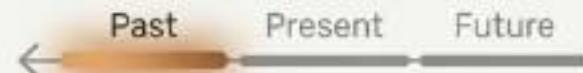
Example Box



They **are** happy.

## Part 2: The Past (Before Now)

Now, let's look back. To talk about something that already happened, we use two "Be" verbs: **was** and **were**.



# The Rule for Singular Subjects

Subject



I / He / She / It

Be Verb

**was**

Example Box



I **was** tired.

# The Rule for Plural Subjects

Subject



You / We / They

Be Verb

**were**



They **were** at school.



## Master Tip

A simple trick: Use **was** for one person or thing. Use **were** for more than one (and always with 'you').

# **Part 3: The Future (After Now)**

The future is the simplest of all.  
There is only one 'Be' verb for  
every subject: **will be.**



# The One Rule for the Future

Subject

All Subjects (I / You / He / She / It / We / They)

Be Verb

**will be**



I **will be** a doctor.



They **will be** there.



## Master Tip

Will be is the same for all subjects. Use it for any future plans or situations.

# The Full Story: A Sentence Through Time



# Your 'Be' Verb Memory Map

## Before (Past)

<b>was</b>	I	
	He	
	She	

I / He / She / It

It

<b>were</b>	You	
	We	
	They	

You / We / They

They

## Now (Present)

<b>am</b>	I	
<b>is</b>	He	
	She	

He / She / It

It

<b>are</b>	You	
	We	
	They	

You / We / They

They

## After (Future)

<b>will be</b>	All Subjects	

All Subjects

