

# Hi, I'm Jeffrey. Nice to meet you!

# lesson description

You will be able to introduce yourself and use the present tense form of the verb "to be."

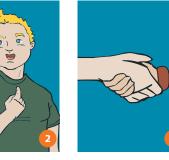
# objectives

- Introduce yourself and others
- Use "to be"
- Practice present tense verbs

## vocabulary



















hello/hi introduce

shake hands

- 4 kiss 5 high-five
- phone call
- 8 hug
- 6 phone/telephone 9 identification

## verb

## to be

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

## your turn

Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb "to be."

## For example:

Hello! I am Jeffrey Riba.

1. Hi, I \_\_\_\_\_ Kim Young. 2. Jeff and Peter \_\_\_\_\_ friends. 3. My middle name \_\_\_\_\_ Angela. 4. Peter \_\_\_\_\_ a fireman. I \_\_\_\_\_ 28 years old.

## "to be" contractions

In spoken English, we often combine a form of "to be" and the subject of the sentence into one word. Remember to look for the apostrophe (')!

| I + am =       | ľm      |
|----------------|---------|
| You + are =    | You're  |
| She $+$ is $=$ | She's   |
| He + is =      | He's    |
| They + are =   | They're |
| We + are =     | We're   |

## conversation

Read the following conversation out loud five times.

Peter: What do you do, Kim?

Kim: I am a chef. What do you do?

Peter: I am a fireman.

**Kim:** You are? Jeff is a teacher.

**Jeff:** Yes, I am.

Peter: I am a fireman. He is a teacher

and she is a chef. Where do you

live, Kim?

Kim: I live in Los Angeles.

**Sara:** Hi, I am Sara. It's nice to meet you.

Peter and Jeff are my friends.

I live in Los Angeles, too.

**Peter:** Sara, I'd like you to meet Kim.

Sara: Hi, Kim. I'm Sara.

**Kim:** Nice to meet you, Sara.



| your turn   | 4. What is your nickname?     |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Answer the questions using complete sentences and the "to be" verb. |                               |
| For example: My first name is Jeffrey.                              | 5. When is your birthday?     |
| 1. What is your first name?   | 6. How old are you?           |
| 2. What is your last name?  | 7. What is your address?      |
| 3. What is your middle name?  | 8. What is your phone number? |

## making plurals

Use these three basic rules to make your nouns plural:

1. Most plural forms of nouns are made by adding -s at the end of the word.

For example:

name  $\longrightarrow$  names number -- numbers

2. When the noun ends in -s, -ch, -sh, -x, or -z; you add an -es.

For example:

kiss → kisses  $box \rightarrow boxes$ 

3. When the noun ends in –y (and has a vowel sound) and the letter before the -y is a consonant, change the -y to -ies.

For example:

lady → ladies baby --- babies

Circle all the different forms of the verb "to be" in the following sentences:

Sara: Hi, my name is Sara.

your turn

Jeff: Hi, Sara. I'm Jeff. What is your last name?

Sara: My last name is Medina. I would like you to meet my

friend, Peter Taylor. He is a fireman.

Jeff: It's nice to meet you, Peter. This is my friend, Kim. Kim,

these are my new friends.

Hi, Kim. I'm Sara and he is Peter. Sara:

Jeff: Kim is a chef.

Kim: I am. What do you do, Sara?

Sara: I am a reporter.

Jeff: How old are you, Peter? Peter: I'm 28 years old, and you?

Jeff: I'm 28, too!

Kim: Are you guys hungry?

Peter: I am. Jeff: Me too.

Kim: Let's go! My house is on Main Street.

### vowels

The English language has five vowels: a, e, i, o, u. Y is sometimes used as a vowel. All other letters are consonants.

\*find and circle all of the vowels on this page!

## exception to the rule!

For most nouns that end in -f, change the -f to -v and add -es to the end.

For example:

knife → knives wife --- wives

Some nouns that end in -f are regular:

For example:

roof → roofs

cliff → cliffs

Some nouns have two correct forms:

For example:

scarf --> scarfs or scarves

hoof → hoofs or hooves

## key phrases

Good morning!

My name is \_\_

What is your name?

What do you do?

Where do you live?

It is nice to meet you.

When is your birthday?

What is your phone number?

You guys.

# putting it all together...

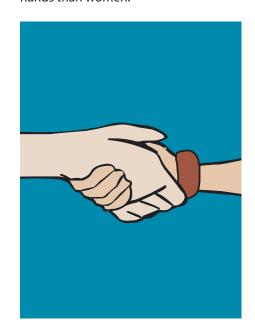
For example:

Pretend you work for CNN. Interview (in English, please!) three people from your class, your family, or your friends. Ask them three questions for your news story. Write their answers using complete sentences. For more space, use your own paper.

Question: Hi, Elizabeth. What is your nickname? Answer: My nickname is Beth. Question: Answer: Question: Answer: Question: Answer:

## cultural tip

In English-speaking countries, shaking hands is considered the normal greeting in business. In casual situations, men are more likely to shake hands than women.



## your turn - exercise 1

- 1. am
- 2. are
- 3. is
- 4. is
- 5. am

## your turn - exercise 2

Students should write their own information in place of Jeffrey's.

- 1. My name is (Jeffrey).
- 2. My last name is (Riba).
- 3. My middle name is (Darren).
- 4. My nickname is (Jeff).
- 5. My birthday is (January 15, 1980).
- 6. I am 28 years old.
- 7. My address is (124 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles, CA 91271).
- 8. My phone number is [(310) 555-8745].

## your turn - exercise 3

Sara: Hi, my name(s)Sara.

Jeff: Hi, Sara, Im Jeff. What (is) your last name?

Sara: My last name (i) Medina. I would like you to meet my

friend Peter Taylor. He 🔞 a fireman.

Jeff: It nice to meet you, Peter. This my friend Kim. Kim,

theseare my new friends.

Sara: Hi, Kim, Im Sara and he Peter.

Jeff: Kim(is)a chef.

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Kim: Let's go! My house(s) on Main Street.

## putting it together - exercise 4

Students should use the verb "to be" in an interview format.