

The verb to be

Affirmative		Negative	
Full form	Short form	Full form	Short form
I am	I'm	I am not	I'm not
You are	You're	You are not	You aren't
He is	He's	He is not	He isn't
She is	She's	She is not	She isn't
It is	It's	It is not	It isn't
We are	We're	We are not	We aren't
You are	You're	You are not	You aren't
They are	They're	They are not	They aren't

1. Write am, is, are

- You **ARE** nice.
- It **IS** a bird.
- He **IS** a boy
- I **AM** a funny girl.
- They **ARE** my friends.
- She **IS** young
- We **ARE** happy.

2. Now write these sentences with short forms.

- (it is) **IT'S** a flower. (it is not) **IT ISN'T** a tree.
- (we are) **WE'RE** students. (we are not) **WE AREN'T** teacher.
- (I am) **I'M** happy. (I am not) **I'M NOT** sad.
- (She is) **SHE'S** short. (she is not) **SHE ISN'T** tall.
- (They are) **THEY'RE** at home. (They are not) **THEY AREN'T** at school.
- (He is) **HE'S** my brother. (He is not) **HE ISN'T** my friend.
- (you are) **YOU'RE** pretty. (you are not) **YOU AREN'T** ugly.

Interrogative	Short answers	
	Affirmative	Negative
Am I ...?	Yes, I am.	No, I'm not.
Are you ...?	Yes, you are.	No, you aren't.
Is he ...?	Yes, he is.	No, he isn't.
Is she ...?	Yes, she is.	No, she isn't.
Is it ...?	Yes, it is.	No, it isn't.
Are we ...?	Yes, we are.	No, we aren't.
Are you ...?	Yes, you are.	No, you aren't.
Are they ...?	Yes, they are.	No, they aren't.

3. Now build questions and answer them following the example.

- a. I / a dancer? Am I a dancer yes, you are.
- b. You / a dog? Are you a dog? Yes, you are.
- c. John / a good singer Is John a good singer? Yes, he is
- d. Sue / Tall Is Sue Tall? Yes, she is
- e. The CD / new Is the CD new? Yes, it is
- f. I / ugly Am I ugly? Yes, I am
- g. The school / Big Is the school big? Yes, it is
- h. Dave / short Is Dave short? No, he isn't
- i. We / friends Are we friends? Yes we are
- j. She / a teacher Is she a teacher No, she isn't
- k. The cats / young Are the cats young? No, They aren't.