There is/there are

Positive Sentences

We use there is for singular and there are for plural.

- ° **There is** one leader in animals groups.
- ° There is an alpha pair in a meerkat group.

° **There are** many females in animals groups. ° **There** are many animals in the world.

Contractions

The contraction of "there is" is there's.

° There 's a leader in animals groups. You cannot contract there are.

Negative Form

The negative is formed by putting **not** after is or are:

°There **is not** a horse in the video. / °There **are not** eight male lions.

We almost always use contractions when speaking.

Negative contractions are:

°There's not = There isn't

°There are not = There aren't

Questions

To form a question we place is / are in front of there. We also use **there** is / are in short answers.

° Is there a dog in the video? - No, there isn't. ° Is there a leader in animal groups? - Yes, there is. °Are there polar bears in Antarctica? - No, there arent.

