

GRAMMAR - VERB BE (NEGATIVES AND QUESTIONS)

Notes: In conversations it is more common to use contractions in negatives than the full form. In negative, the verb **be** can be contracted in two ways, e.g., *You **aren't** American* (contracting **not**) or *You're **not** American* (contracting **are**).

Complete the conversations with a form of the verb **be**.

Use contractions where possible.

1

Pedro Hi.

Monika Is this Class 2?

Pedro Yes, it _____. _____ you in this class, too?

Monika Yes, I _____. What _____ your name?

Pedro I _____ Pedro.

Monika My name _____ Monika.

Pedro Where _____ you from, Martina?

Monika I _____ from the Czech Republic. And you?

Pedro I _____ from Madrid.

Monika _____ you Spanish?

Pedro No, I _____. I _____ Mexican, but I live in Spain.

Monika Who _____ our teacher?

Pedro Her name _____ Diane.

Monika _____ she English?

Pedro No, she _____. She _____ American.

Monika Where _____ the other students? _____ they in class?

Pedro No, they _____. They _____ in the café!

2

David Hi, I'm David.

Carlos Hello. My name _____ Carlos. It's my first day here.

David _____ you from Central America, Carlos?

Carlos No, I _____. I'm Brazilian.

David Oh, which city _____ you from?

Carlos I _____ from Sao Paulo, the capital of Brazil.

David _____ it nice in Sao Paulo?

Carlos Yes, it _____. It's beautiful. _____ you English?

David No, I _____. I _____ American.

Carlos Where _____ you from in the Unites States?

David Washington, the capital.

Carlos Really. _____ Washington nice?

David Yes, it _____ great!

Carlos _____ this my computer?

David No, it _____. This is your computer here.

Carlos Thanks. _____ the boss here?

David No, he _____. He's in a meeting.

Carlos _____ the people in the office American?

David No, they _____. They _____ from all over the world. Have a good first day at work!