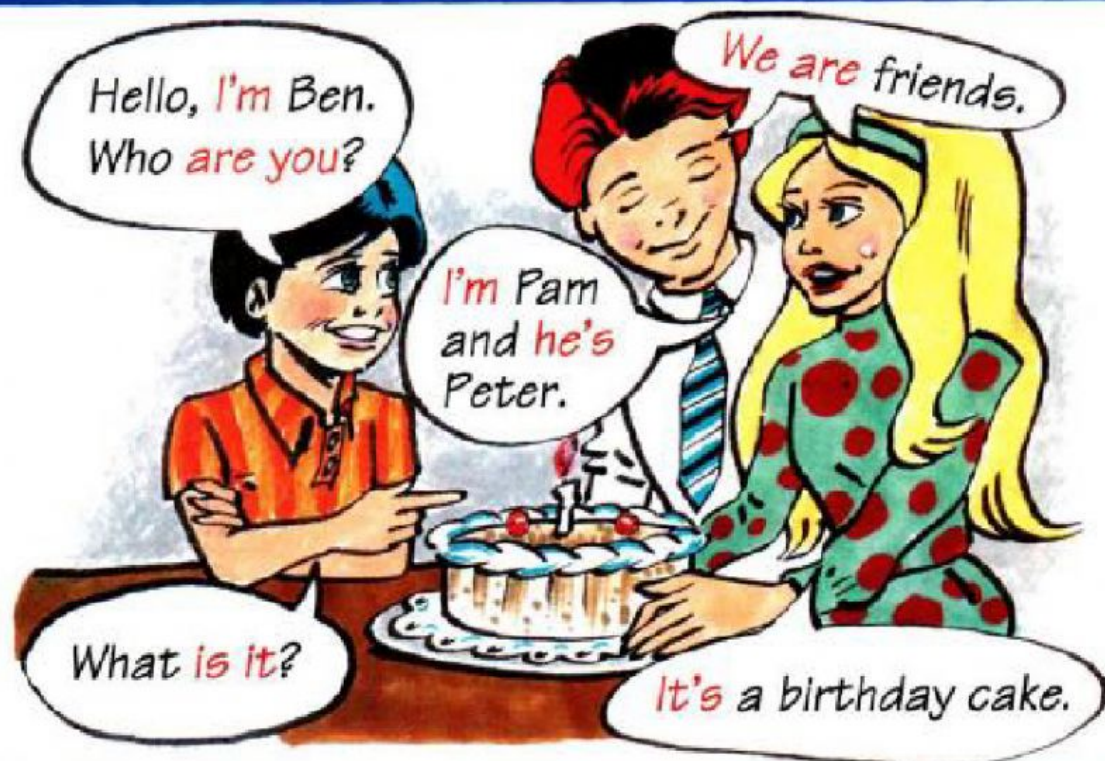


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Affirmative		Negative		Interrogative
Long form	Short form	Long form	Short form	
I am	I'm	I am not	I'm not	Am I?
You are	You're	You are not	You aren't	Are you?
He is	He's	He is not	He isn't	Is he?
She is	She's	She is not	She isn't	Is she?
It is	It's	It is not	It isn't	Is it?
We are	We're	We are not	We aren't	Are we?
You are	You're	You are not	You aren't	Are you?
They are	They're	They are not	They aren't	Are they?

#### 9 Fill in "am", "is" or "are".



1. It is a shark. 2. They are dolphins. 3. It is a bicycle. 3. They are oranges.

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5. We ... friends.



6. It ... a bus.



7. I ... a teacher.



8. You ... a doctor.

#### Short answers

Am I / Are you tall?

Yes, I am.

No, I'm not.

Is he / she / it in the garden? Yes, he / she / it is. No, he / she / it isn't.

Are we / you they students?

Yes, we / you they are.

No, we / you they aren't.

#### 11 Answer the questions:

1. Is it a mouse?



Yes, it is.

2. Are they horses?



No, they aren't.

They are dogs.

3. Are you a teacher?



4. Is it a bird?



5. Is Pam a student?



6. Is Paul at home?



7. Are they records?



8. Are you doctors?





**12** Write "is" or "are" as in the example:



Ann	Manos	Mario	Susan	Costas	Kim
10	28	12	25	13	25
student	teacher	student	teacher	student	doctor
English	Greek	Italian	American	Greek	Japanese
London	Athens	Rome	New York	Thessaloniki	Tokyo

Ann *is* ten years old.

1. Ann, Mario and Costas ..... students. 2. Manos ..... a doctor. 3. Susan and Kim ..... teachers. 4. Manos and Costas ..... Greek. 5. Kim ..... Japanese. She ..... from Tokyo. 6. Mario ..... Italian. He ..... from Rome. 7. Manos ..... from Athens and Costas ..... from Thessaloniki. 8. Susan ..... American. She ..... from New York. 9. Susan and Kim ..... twenty-five years old. 10. Mario ..... twelve and Costas ..... thirteen.

**13** Look at Exercise 12. Then ask and answer as in the examples:

1. Ann / a doctor. *Is Ann a doctor? No, she isn't a doctor. She is a student.*  
 2. Mario and Costas / students. *Are Mario and Costas students? Yes, they are.*  
 3. Susan / American. ....  
 4. Kim / from Athens. ....  
 5. Susan and Manos / teachers. ....  
 6. Ann and Mario / Greek. ....  
 7. Manos / New York. ....  
 8. Kim / a student. ....  
 9. Manos / a doctor. ....  
 10. Costas / thirteen years old. ....

**15** Change to the plural as in the example:

It is a book. *They are books.*

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|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1. He is a man.    | 4. It is a mouse.     | 7. He is a boy.    | 10. You are a doctor |
| 2. She is a girl.  | 5. You are a student. | 8. It is a bird.   | 11. She is a nurse.  |
| 3. I am a teacher. | 6. I am Spanish.      | 9. She is a woman. | 12. It's a piano.    |