1A present simple verb *be* ⊞, subject pronouns

⊞ = positive form 1.4

full form	contraction
I am a student.	**I'm** a student.
You are my partner.	**You're** my partner.
He is Matt.	**He's** Matt.
She is Sally.	**She's** Sally.
It is a salsa class.	**It's** a salsa class.
We are students.	**We're** students.
You are partners.	**You're** partners.
They are teachers.	**They're** teachers.

- In contractions ' = a missing letter, e.g. *'m* = *am*.
- We use contractions in conversation and in informal writing, e.g. an email to a friend.
- We always use a subject pronoun (*you*, *he*, etc.) with a verb.
  ***It**'s a school.* **NOT** ~~*Is a school*~~.
  ***They**'re teachers.* **NOT** ~~*Are teachers*~~.
- We always use capital *I*. With other pronouns we only use a capital letter when it's the first word in a sentence.
  He's Ben and I'm Sally. **NOT** ~~*i'm Sally*~~.
- *you* = singular and plural.
- We use *he* for a man, *she* for a woman, and *it* for a thing.
- We use *they* for people and things.

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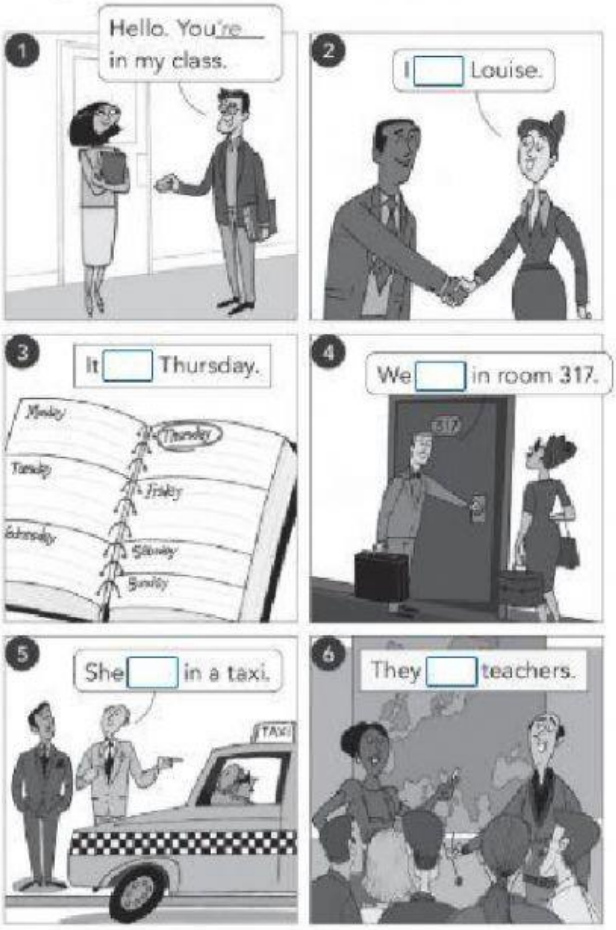
a Complete column 1 with words from the list. Then write the contractions in column 2.

she are they is I are is

1 Full form	2 Contraction
1 I am	2 I'm
you 3	4
he 5	6
7 is	8
it 9	10
we 11	12
13 are	14

b Complete the sentences with *'m*, *'s*, or *'re*.



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