ESLWORKSHEETS

The Verb *Be* - *Present Tense*

I **am**
You **are**
He/She **is**
It **is**
They **are**
We **are**
Singular Noun (the teacher, a flower) **is**
Plural Noun (the students, animals) **are**

Fill in the blanks with the verb BE in the present simple tense.

Subject + *be (present tense)* + noun	**Subject + *be (present tense)* + noun phrase**	**Subject + *be (present tense)* + adjective**	**Subject + *be (present tense)* + prepositional phrase**
They _____ doctors.	She _____ a famous actor.	The ocean _____ deep.	We _____ at school.
It _____ a pen.	I _____ an office assistant.	The weather _____ cloudy.	AHS _____ in Ottawa.
You _____ a girl.	They _____ new students.	She _____ strong.	We _____ on the bus.
He _____ a singer.	They _____ poor people.	They _____ aggressive.	The ball _____ on the roof.
We _____ a team.	He _____ an old man.	The class _____ crowded.	It _____ in the garbage.
We _____ humans.	I _____ a good hairstylist.	I _____ rude.	The pencil _____ on the table.
You _____ my friend.	I _____ a football player.	The price _____ low.	The village _____ by the sea.
He _____ a baker.	She _____ a pretty model.	They _____ adventurous.	The sink _____ out of order.
I _____ Charlie.	He _____ a short man.	The man _____ careless.	The board _____ on the wall.
I _____ a photographer.	We _____ good students.	Babies _____ so cute.	They _____ underwater.
I _____ a mother.	It _____ a beautiful flower.	My dog _____ intelligent.	I _____ at home.

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The Verb Be - Past Tense

I **was**
You **were**
He/She **was**
It **was**
They **were**
We **were**
Singular Noun (the teacher, a flower) **was**
Plural Noun (the students, animals) **were**

Fill in the blanks with the verb BE in the past simple tense.

Subject + *be (past tense)* + noun	**Subject + *be (past tense)* + noun phrase**	**Subject + *be (past tense)* + adjective**	**Subject + *be (past tense)* + prepositional phrase**
They _____ doctors.	She _____ a famous actor.	The ocean _____ deep.	We _____ at school.
He _____ a sailor.	They _____ good doctors.	Her mark _____ low.	The class _____ at 8:30 am.
We _____ students.	It _____ a great day.	The food _____ healthy.	They _____ close to me.
She _____ a doctor.	We _____ happy families.	The crops _____ healthy.	I _____ on time for school.
It _____ a school.	He _____ a naughty child.	The house _____ clean.	I _____ at home.
I _____ a teacher.	He _____ a good driver.	The kids _____ aggressive.	It _____ at night.
I _____ a pilot.	It _____ a nice movie.	The cat _____ sad.	It _____ above me.
He _____ a millionaire.	Yesterday _____ a nice day.	It _____ old fashioned.	
He _____ a student.	She _____ a weak woman.	I _____ sick.	
I _____ a social worker.	He _____ a team player.	They _____ strong.	
We _____ candidates.	She _____ my teacher.	She _____ beautiful.	
It _____ a flower.	He _____ my classmate.	The weather _____ cloudy.	

The Verb Be - Contractions

Affirmative	Contraction	Negative	Contraction	
Present				
I am		I am not	I'm not	
You are	You're	You are not		You aren't
He is	He's	He is not	He's not	
She is		She is not		She isn't
It is	It's	It is not	It's not	
They are		They are not	They're not	
We are	We're	We are not		We aren't
Past				
I was		I was not		I wasn't
You were		You were not		
He was		He was not		He wasn't
She was		She was not		
It was		It was not		It wasn't
They were		They were not		
We were		We were not		We weren't

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The Verb *Be* - *Yes/No Questions*

Write an affirmative and negative answer to each question. (use contractions when possible)

1. **Are they in China? (present)**
   a. Yes, they are in China.
   b. No, they aren't in China.
2. **Are you at school?**
   a. Yes, _____ at school.
   b. No, _____ at school.
3. **Were you tired last night? (past)**
   a. Yes, _____ tired last night.
   b. No, _____ tired last night.
4. **Are the boys friends?**
   a. Yes, _____ friends.
   b. No, _____ friends.
5. **Were the flowers beautiful?**
   a. Yes, _____ beautiful.
   b. No, _____ beautiful.
6. **Is the Canal frozen?**
   a. Yes, _____ frozen.
   b. No, _____ frozen.
7. **Are you in Ottawa?**
   a. Yes, _____ in Ottawa.
   b. No, _____ in Ottawa.
8. **Was he absent yesterday?**
   a. Yes, _____ absent yesterday.
   b. No, _____ absent yesterday.

Write a question that matches the answer.

1. **Yes, he is tall.**
   a. _____
2. **No, she is not at school.**
   a. _____
3. **No, they're not sisters.**
   a. _____
4. **Yes, I was a skater.**
   a. _____
5. **Yes, you are correct.**
   a. _____