

To Be: Present Tense

The verb **to be** describes a state of being. Use the following to form the present tense of the verb **to be**.

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| I am | → | I am happy today. |
| you are | → | You are smart. |
| he is | → | He is my friend. |
| she is | → | She is busy. |
| it is | → | It is true. |
| we are | → | We are tired. |
| they are | → | They are here. |

EXERCISE

1.1

Use your dictionary to find the meaning of the new vocabulary words needed for this exercise before you begin. Write the words in your language in the space provided.

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| _____ flashlight | _____ happy | _____ busy |
| _____ kitchen | _____ sick | _____ ready |
| _____ girl | _____ flower | _____ small |
| _____ vacuum | _____ tent | _____ fridge |
| _____ counter | _____ toy | _____ floor |
| _____ basement | _____ ribbon | _____ hair |
| _____ closet | _____ dirty | _____ tired |
| _____ today | _____ pink | _____ twins |
| _____ nice | _____ pretty | _____ true |
| _____ smart | _____ yellow | _____ friend |
| _____ here | _____ microwave oven | |

*Rewrite the following sentences to create the present tense by choosing the correct form of the verb **to be** in parentheses.*

1. The girl (am, is, are) pretty. _____
2. I (am, is, are) ready. _____
3. She (am, is, are) my friend. _____
4. They (am, is, are) twins. _____
5. The flowers (am, is, are) yellow. _____
6. The flashlight (am, is, are) in the tent. _____
7. The fridge and counter in the kitchen (am, is, are) dirty.

8. I (am, is, are) tired today. _____
9. We (am, is, are) busy. _____
10. The toys (am, is, are) in the basement. _____
11. The ribbons in my hair (am, is, are) pink. _____
12. The kitchen (am, is, are) very small. _____
13. The vacuum (am, is, are) in the closet. _____
14. He (am, is, are) nice. _____
15. The microwave oven (am, is, are) in the kitchen.

16. The toy (am, is, are) on the floor. _____
17. I (am, is, are) sick today. _____

EXERCISE

1-2

Use your dictionary to find the meaning of the new vocabulary words needed for this exercise before you begin. Write the words in your language in the space provided.

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| _____ aunt | _____ cousin | _____ bald |
| _____ cloud | _____ uncle | _____ student |
| _____ red | _____ bright | _____ open |
| _____ window | _____ blue | _____ juice |
| _____ cold | _____ brother | _____ sad |
| _____ teacher | _____ class | _____ lawyer |
| _____ man | _____ tall | _____ room |
| _____ news | _____ hot | _____ grass |
| _____ furniture | _____ upstairs | _____ old |
| _____ moon | _____ green | _____ lazy |
| _____ bug | _____ woman | |

*Complete the following sentences using the correct form of the verb **to be**.*

1. My aunt _____ nice.
2. The clouds _____ white.
3. Kathy _____ sick.
4. The ribbons _____ yellow.
5. We _____ twins.
6. The windows _____ open.
7. Colton and Cody _____ brothers.
8. We _____ teachers.
9. It _____ a French book.
10. You _____ very smart.
11. It _____ sad news.
12. She _____ my cousin.
13. You _____ tired.
14. The grass _____ green.

15. It _____ in my room.
 16. They _____ lazy.
 17. The flower _____ yellow.
 18. The bug _____ on the counter.
 19. I _____ tall.
 20. The man _____ happy.
 21. The vacuum _____ red.
 22. The tent _____ blue.
 23. The juice _____ cold.
 24. She _____ a student.
 25. They _____ in my class.
 26. The woman _____ a lawyer.
 27. She _____ upstairs.
 28. The teacher _____ smart.
 29. The ribbon _____ blue.
 30. The water _____ hot.
 31. My uncle _____ bald.
 32. The furniture _____ old.
 33. The fridge _____ in the kitchen.
 34. The moon _____ bright.
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