

VERB TO BE

Affirmative – Negative – Interrogative

Affirmative

To be is an irregular verb and, in the affirmative form, it has this structure:

Subject + to be + Complement

Subject	Verb	Short form
I	am	I'm
You	are	You're
He	is	He's
She	is	She's
It	is	It's
They	are	They're
We	are	We're
You	are	You're

Negative

To be is an irregular verb and, in the negative form, it has this structure:

Subject + to be + not + Complement

Subject	Verb + not	Short form
I	am not	I'm not
You	are not	You're not/you aren't
He	is not	He's not/he isn't
She	is not	She's not/she isn't
It	is not	It's not/it isn't
They	are not	They're not/they aren't
We	are not	We're not/we aren't
You	are not	You're not/you aren't

Interrogative

To be is an irregular verb and, in the interrogative form (possible because of inversion), it has this structure:

To be + subject + complement?

Verb	Subject	complement?
Am	I	a lawyer?
Are	you	a student?
Is	he	polite?
Is	she	short?
Is	it	mine?
Are	they	doctors?
Are	we	famous?
Are	you	tall?

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1. New York _____ a big American city.
2. Flowers _____ beautiful.
3. His sister _____ five years old.
4. The windows _____ open.
5. Her hair _____ long.
6. It _____ very cold today.
7. Candy _____ sweet.
8. The floor _____ dirty.
9. Mr. and Mrs. Baker _____ teachers.
10. An elephant _____ a big animal.

Affirmative – Short form

- Hi, I am Otto.
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- You are in England.
 -
- John is my friend.
 -
- We are from Germany.
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- They are in the classroom.
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Negative

1. They _____ tired.
2. Thomas _____ nice
3. Teddy _____ my friend.
4. The shops _____ open.
5. The school _____ small.
6. I _____ thirty years old.
7. It _____ hot outside.
8. They _____ teachers.
9. My name _____ Carl.
10. Judith and I _____ at home.

Negative – Short form

• They are not busy	• I am not rich.
○	○
• He is not angry	• These bags are not heavy.
○	○
• Sophia is not tall.	• My sister is not a nurse.
○	○
• It is not cold today.	• The children are not ill.
○	○
• The bags are not blue.	• It is not sunny today
○	○

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1. ____ this my house?
2. ____ you sad?
3. ____ Mary at home?
4. ____ Susan and her sister hungry?
5. ____ his new boyfriend German?
6. _____ your brother a teacher?
7. ____ your mother at home
8. ____ I late?
9. ____ these oranges?
10. ____ you hungry?

Interrogative

Make a question with 'be'

• John / in the garden?	• Harry and Lucy / from London?
○	○
• They / hungry?	• I / early?
○	○
• You / tired?	• She / on the bus?
○	○
• We / late?	• Pedro / from Spain?
○	○
• He / French?	• The children / at school?
○	○