

## The verb 'to be'

Affirmative		Negative		Interrogative
Long form	Short Form	Long	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?

### 1 Write as in the example.

#### Long Form

- 1 It is ..... a doll.
- 2 They ..... dancers.
- 3 He ..... a teacher.
- 4 We ..... girls.
- 5 I ..... Tony.
- 6 She ..... a singer.

#### Short Form

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### 2 Fill in: am, is or are.

1 I ..... a dancer and  
you ..... a singer.



2 We ..... football players  
and they ..... tennis players.



3 He ..... a mechanic and  
she ..... an engineer.



4 I ..... a firefighter and  
he ..... a policeman.



5 You ..... a policeman  
and I ..... a nurse.



6 We ..... pupils and  
you ..... students.



3 Match column A with column B, then write the sentences.

(A)	(B)
1 I am a	A a box
2 He is	B Mary
3 It is	C Jim
4 She is	D pupil
5 We are	E singers

I am a pupil.

4 Fill in: 'm not, isn't or aren't.

1 I ..... a teacher.	5 She ..... an astronaut.
2 You ..... an engineer.	6 I ..... a student.
3 We ..... dancers.	7 They ..... postmen.
4 He ..... a bus driver.	8 It ..... a dog.

5 Fill in the pronoun *I, he, she, it, we, they* with 'm not, isn't or aren't.



1 ... *He isn't* a policeman.  
He is a singer.



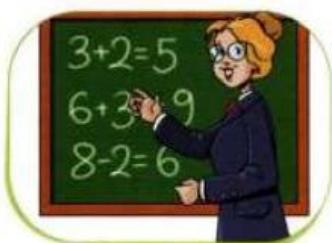
2 ..... a teacher.  
I'm a doctor.



3 ..... a postman.  
He's a pilot.



4 ..... firefighters.  
They are policemen.



5 ..... an engineer.  
She's a teacher.



6 ..... singers.  
We are doctors.

**6** Fill in: *Am, Is or Are.*

1 ..... <i>Are</i> ..... you a pupil?	5 ..... you firefighters?
2 ..... he a teacher?	6 ..... it a dog?
3 ..... they dancers?	7 ..... she a nurse?
4 ..... I a pilot?	8 ..... it an apple?

**Short answers**

Am I/Are you a pupil?	Yes, I am.	No, I'm not.
Is he/she/it big?	Yes, he/she/it is.	No, he/she/it isn't.
Are we/you/they pupils?	Yes, we/you/they are.	No, we/you/they aren't.

**7** Answer the questions using short answers.



1 Is he 7?

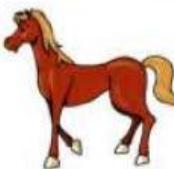
*No, he isn't.*



2 Are they babies?



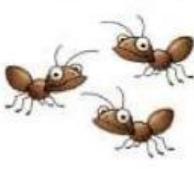
3 Is he a firefighter?



4 Is it a zebra?



5 Is she a singer?



6 Are they bees?

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Fill in: *am, is or are*. Listen and check.

1) ..... Meena. 2) ..... 7. 3) ..... a pupil. Sunita 4) .....  
 my mum. She 5) ..... a teacher. Deepak 6) ..... my dad. He 7) .....  
 an engineer. Dev 8) ..... my brother. He 9) ..... a student. We  
 10) ..... a happy family!