

Exercise 1

Using the Verb "To be (am/is/are)"

Name _____

Date _____

Write the correct form of the verb "To be" in present tense.



Example: I (be) am happy.

- 1) I (be) _____ tired.
- 2) I (be) _____ hungry.
- 3) I (be) _____ late!

Example:

You / We / They (be) are happy.

- 7) You (be) _____ nice.
- 8) We (be) _____ sleepy.
- 9) They (be) _____ funny.

Example: He/She/It (be) is happy.

- 4) He (be) _____ cool.
- 5) She (be) _____ pretty.
- 6) It (be) _____ fast.

Now we'll use nouns instead of pronouns...

- 10) John (be) _____ excited.
- 11) Tiffany and Uma (be) _____ my friends.
- 12) Ricardo, John and I (be) _____ watching a movie.
- 13) Hadil (be) _____ kind.
- 14) Alisa (be) _____ young.
- 15) The hammer (be) _____ new.
- 16) My mother and father (be) _____ cooking dinner.
- 17) Rachel (be) _____ driving to school.



- 18) Nikko and Billy (be) _____ playing at the park.
- 19) The students (be) _____ studying English.
- 20) The test (be) _____ hard!
- 21) My best friend (be) _____ coming to my house.

Exercise 2

Using the Verb "To be (am/is/are)"

Choose the correct form of "to be" in present tense.

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Example: I (be) **am** excited.

Example: Jessica and Akbar (be) **are** happy.

Example: The new car (be) **is** nice.

1) The bag (be) _____ blue. 2) The rocks (be) _____ hard.

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

3) The children (be) _____ young. 4) Thomas (be) _____ nice.

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

5) The game (be) _____ difficult. 6) They (be) _____ tired.

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

7) I (be) _____ thirty years old. 8) Susan and Juan (be) _____ married.

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

9) Teddy (be) _____ my friend. 10) We (be) _____ in English class.

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

- A. am
- B. are
- C. is

Exercise 3

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Write the correct form of the verb "to be" in present tense.

Note: The verb can be positive (+) or negative (-). Use not to form the negative.

Example: My teacher (be) **is** nice. (+)

Example: The cat (be, not) **is not** hungry. (-)

1) The old man (be) _____ wise. 2) The sun (be) _____ hot.

3) The children (be) _____ eating bananas. They (be, not) _____ eating apples. 4) I (be) _____ happy. I (be, not) _____ sad.

5) The racecar (be) _____ fast. It (be, not) _____ slow. 6) My friend (be) _____ buying a new car. Her old car broke down. It doesn't work anymore.

7) I (be) _____ at the beach with my family. It (be) _____ hot and sunny outside. The ocean water (be) _____ warm. 8) Ko and Jacob (be) _____ very smart. Ko (be) _____ a scientist and Jacob (be) _____ an engineer.

9) The library (be) _____ open until 9:00 p.m. 10) The school (be) _____ small. It (be, not) _____ big.

11) The books (be) _____ new. They (be, not) _____ old. 12) Tommy, Steven, and Teddy (be) _____ acting in the school play.

13) Beatrice (be) _____ at her house. 14) It (be) _____ hot outside. It (be, not) _____ cold outside.

15) You (be) _____ finished with the quiz! 16) Judith (be, not) _____ at home. She (be) _____ school.

Exercise 4

Using the Verb "To be"

Write the correct form of "to be" in present tense.

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My name (be) _____⁽¹⁾ John. I (be) _____⁽²⁾ fifteen years old. I live on a farm. It (be) _____⁽³⁾ in the country. It is quiet in the country. It (be, not) _____⁽⁴⁾ loud in the country.

I wake up early. Sometimes, I wake up before the sun rises. Sometimes, it (be) _____⁽⁵⁾ still dark when I wake up. But I don't mind. I like waking up that early. I like the way the country looks in the morning.

The first thing I do after I wake up is milk the cow. After I (be) _____⁽⁶⁾ finished milking the cow, I bring the milk to my mom. I think she uses it to make breakfast. She makes a delicious breakfast. My mom (be) _____⁽⁷⁾ a really good cook.



Next, I feed the pigs. One time, I asked my mom how come my little sister doesn't feed them. She said it is because my sister (be, not) _____⁽⁸⁾ strong enough. But I still don't understand. She is almost as strong as me! I guess my mom doesn't want my sister to get hurt. After all, the pigs can (be) _____⁽⁹⁾ pretty rough, especially when they (be) _____⁽¹⁰⁾ hungry.

The last thing I do (be) _____⁽¹¹⁾ feed the chickens. That (be) _____⁽¹²⁾ easy. I just throw some food down on the ground and they run out and eat it. While the chickens (be) _____⁽¹³⁾ eating, I go into their house to collect their eggs. Chicken eggs (be) _____⁽¹⁴⁾ really good to eat. They (be) _____⁽¹⁵⁾ easy to cook too. That is what I do in the mornings. I (be) _____⁽¹⁶⁾ pretty busy.

Exercise 5

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Using the Verb "To be"

Write the correct form of "to be" in *present tense*.

Tess and Jen _____⁽¹⁾ best friends.

They do everything together. They spend every day together.

One day they meet on the bus to school. They start talking.

"Hey Jen," says Tess. "How _____⁽²⁾ you?"

"Hey girl," says Jen. "I _____⁽³⁾ doing fine. What _____⁽⁴⁾ going on? What _____⁽⁵⁾ you doing today?"

"Oh," says Tess, "I _____⁽⁶⁾ doing anything special. I don't have any plans."

"That _____⁽⁷⁾ cool."

"Yeah," says Tess. "But I have something to tell you."

"Really! Can I try to guess?"

"Umm..." says Tess. "Well..."

"Okay, I get three guesses. Ready?"

"Umm, well...okay."

"_____⁽⁸⁾ we eating dinner together?"

"No, that _____⁽⁹⁾ it."

"Okay. Are we going to the soccer game together?"

"No. It _____⁽¹⁰⁾ that either." Tess looks nervous. Her eyes look sad. A tear starts to fall down her cheek.

"Oh," says Jen, wiping a tear from her own eye. "Now I know. You _____⁽¹¹⁾ moving away."



Exercise 6

Using the Verb "To be (am/is/are)"

Example: You / We / They (be) **were** sick yesterday.

Example: I / He / She / It (be) **was** sick yesterday.

1) I (be) _____ tired yesterday.

- D. was
- E. were

2) You (be) _____ happy yesterday.

- A. was
- B. were

3) We (be) _____ sad yesterday.

- A. was
- B. were

4) They (be) _____ busy yesterday.

- A. was
- B. were

5) He (be) _____ angry yesterday.

- A. was
- B. were

6) She (be) _____ sleepy yesterday.

- A. was
- B. were

7) It (be) _____ cold yesterday.

- A. was
- B. were

Practice writing sentences using the verb "to be" in past tense.

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____