GRAMMAR PRACTICE · Level 1 of 4 · now

# Am, Is, Are The verb to be

Name: _____

Date: _____



**Am**, **is** and **are** tell us what something is, or how it is, right now.

**I + am**
just me
I am happy.

**he, she, it + is**
one person or thing
The cat is happy.

**you, we, they + are**
you, or more than one
They are happy.

Watch the lesson first!

## A Look at the picture. Circle am, is or are. ___ / 6


1 The dog **am** **is** **are** brown.


2 The birds **am** **is** **are** small.


3 I **am** **is** **are** ready.


4 She **am** **is** **are** my sister.


5 The bus **am** **is** **are** yellow.


6 The grapes **am** **is** **are** sweet.

## B Who goes with which word? Write each one in the right box. ___ / 6

she | we | I | they | it | you

| am | is | are |
|---|---|---|
| | | |

## C Fill the gap with am, is or are. ___ / 4

1 We _____ in the park.

2 The sun _____ hot.

3 I _____ at school.

4 You _____ my friend.

**Foofee's tip:** Ask "Who?" first. **I** → am. **One** person or thing → is. **You** or **more than one** → are.

GRAMMAR PRACTICE | Level 2 of 4 · yesterday

# Was and Were

Name: _____

Date: _____



**Was** and **were** tell us what something was, or how it was, before now.

**am, is → was**
I, he, she, it
The cat was happy.

**are → were**
you, we, they
They were happy.

## A Yesterday! Circle was or were. ___ / 6

1 Yesterday, it **was** **were** sunny.

2 The ducks **was** **were** in the pond.

3 My teddy **was** **were** on the bed.

4 We **was** **were** at the zoo.

5 He **was** **were** at home.

6 The apples **was** **were** red.

## B Snap it to yesterday! Write was or were. ___ / 6

1 I am tired. → Yesterday, I _____ tired.

2 The cups are full. → Yesterday, the cups _____ full.

3 It is cold. → Yesterday, it _____ cold.

4 They are at school. → Yesterday, they _____ at school.

5 My shoes are clean. → Yesterday, my shoes _____ clean.

6 She is busy. → Yesterday, she _____ busy.

## C Now or before? Look at the time word and circle. ___ / 4

1 Today the shop **is** **was** open.

2 Yesterday the shop **is** **was** closed.

3 Now we **are** **were** hungry.

4 Last night we **are** **were** sleepy.

Foofee's tip: **Yesterday**, **last night** and **last week** mean "before now": use **was** or **were**.

GRAMMAR PRACTICE | Level 3 of 4 · not & questions

# No and Ask

Name: _____

Date: _____

**add not**
is + not → isn't · are + not → aren't
The cat isn't sad.

**in the past**
was + not → wasn't · were + not → weren't
We weren't late.

**ask**
the verb jumps to the front
Is the cat happy?

Careful! Say **Yes, it is.** (not "Yes, it's.") and **I'm not** for I am not.

## A Say no! Write the short word: isn't, aren't, wasn't or weren't. ___ / 6

1 The tea is not hot. → The tea _____ hot.

2 The boxes are not heavy. → The boxes _____ heavy.

3 It was not my hat. → It _____ my hat.

4 We were not sad. → We _____ sad.

5 The door is not open. → The door _____ open.

6 They were not late. → They _____ late.

## B Make a question. Write the word that jumps to the front. ___ / 4

1 The bus is big. → _____ the bus big?

2 The kids are happy. → _____ the kids happy?

3 It was sunny. → _____ it sunny?

4 They were at home. → _____ they at home?

## C Answer yes. Write one word. ___ / 4

1 Is the sun hot? Yes, it _____.

2 Are you happy? Yes, I _____.

3 Was the cake good? Yes, it _____.

4 Were they at the park? Yes, they _____.

💡 **Foofee's tip:** The answer uses the same word as the question: **Is** it...? Yes, it **is**. **Were** they...? Yes, they **were**.

GRAMMAR PRACTICE · Level 4 of 4 · Challenge

# Super Star!

Name: _____

Date: _____



**I'm**
I am
I'm six.

**he's · it's**
he is · it is
It's a ladybug.

**they're**
they are
They're happy.

The little mark ' is an **apostrophe**. It shows where a letter went away: I am → I'm.

## A Match the two words to their short word. Draw a line. ___ / 4

| | |
|---|---|
| I am | they're |
| he is | I'm |
| it is | he's |
| they are | it's |

## B Oops! Fix the wrong word. Write the right one in the box. ___ / 6

1. The cats is hungry. ☐
2. I is happy. ☐
3. We was at school. ☐
4. He were tired. ☐
5. You is my friend. ☐
6. The dog are big. ☐

## C Your turn! Finish each sentence about you. ___ / 4

1. Today I am _____
2. My friends are _____
3. Yesterday I was _____
4. Yesterday the weather was _____

## D How did I do? Colour the stars.

I can use **am**, **is** and **are**. ☆ ☆ ☆

I can use **was** and **were** for yesterday. ☆ ☆ ☆

I can say **no** and ask **questions**. ☆ ☆ ☆

I know **I'm**, **he's**, **it's** and **they're**. ☆ ☆ ☆



**Super job!**
You finished all 4 levels!

**TOTAL** _____ / 60

FOR GROWN-UPS · Answer key & tips

# Answer Key The verb to be

Am, Is, Are, Was, Were (video)

## Page 1 · now (16)

**A · Circle (6)**

1 is 2 are 3 am 4 is 5 is 6 are

**B · Boxes (6)**

am: I · is: she, it · are: we, they, you

**C · Gaps (4)**

1 are 2 is 3 am 4 are

## Page 2 · yesterday (16)

**A · Circle (6)**

1 was 2 were 3 was 4 were 5 was 6 were

**B · Snap it (6)**

1 was 2 were 3 was 4 were 5 were 6 was

**C · Now or before (4)**

1 is 2 was 3 are 4 were

## Page 3 · not & questions (14)

**A · Say no (6)**

1 isn't 2 aren't 3 wasn't 4 weren't 5 isn't 6 weren't

**B · Questions (4)**

1 Is 2 Are 3 Was 4 Were

A small letter (is, are…) is OK for young children; praise the capital.

**C · Answer yes (4)**

1 is 2 am 3 was 4 were

## Page 4 · challenge (14)

**A · Match (4)**

I am → I'm · he is → he's · it is → it's · they are → they're

**B · Fix it (6)**

1 are 2 am 3 were 4 was 5 are 6 is

**C · Your turn (4)**

Any ending that makes sense, 1 point each (e.g. happy, seven, at home; kind; tired; sunny, rainy).

## Tips for teaching

- **Watch first.** Scan the QR code. In the video a magic camera shows **now** (am, is, are); a photo shows **yesterday** (was, were).
- **Who first.** Find who the sentence is about, then pick the verb: I → am; one → is; you or more than one → are.
- **Photo game.** Look at a family photo: "You **were** small. Grandpa **was** at the beach."
- **Clap the chant.** I am, you are, he is, she is, it is, we are, they are. Then the same with was and were.
- **Arabic speakers** often leave the verb out ("He happy"). Point out that English needs **is** in the middle.
- **Short answers.** "Yes, it is" is right; "Yes, it's" is not used at the end of an answer.

## Score guide (out of 60)

**52–60** · Super star! Tell a grown-up about yesterday with was and were.

**38–51** · Great work! Redo the level with the lowest score.

**0–37** · Good start! Watch the video again and redo Level 1.