



A1 Unit 1: Identity & Basic Interaction

Chapter 1: Hello & Personal Information

Lesson 1: The verb 'to be' in Present Tense

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In this lesson you will learn:

- Present tense of the verb 'to be'
- Contractions with the verb 'to be'
- Asking simple questions with the verb '**to be**'



Listening Task:

Listen to the dialogue and answer the questions:

1. What word comes after **I**? am
2. What word comes after **you**? are
3. What word comes after **she / he / it**? is
4. What word comes after **they**? are
5. How do we ask about a person? who
6. What short forms (contractions) do you hear? 'm 's 're

Grammar Tasks:

1. Fill in the chart with the correct form of the verb '**to be**'.

subject (singular)	'to be' full form	'to be' contraction	subject (plural)	'to be' full form	'to be' contraction
I	am	'm	we	are	're
you	are	're	you (all)	are	're
she, he, it	is	's	they	are	're

2. Unscramble the words to create a correct question sentence..

1. who / she / is / ? Who is she?
2. is / he who / ? Who is he?
3. they / who / are / ? Who are they?

Practice Tasks:

1. Choose correct form of the verb '**to be**'.

1. You **am** / **is** / **are** a student.
2. I **am** / **is** / **are** a firefighter.
3. They **am** / **is** / **are** Jane and Suzy
4. We **'m** / **'s** / **'re** office workers.
5. They **'m** / **'s** / **'re** doctors.
6. I **'m** / **'s** / **'re** a teacher.

2. Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb '**to be**'.

1. I am Kate. ('m)
2. They are pilots. ('re)
3. He is Bob ('s)
4. She is a police officer. ('s)
5. We are students. ('re)
6. You 're a nurse. ('re)

3. Write a sentence with the verb '**to be**' in the present tense.

- many answers are possible -