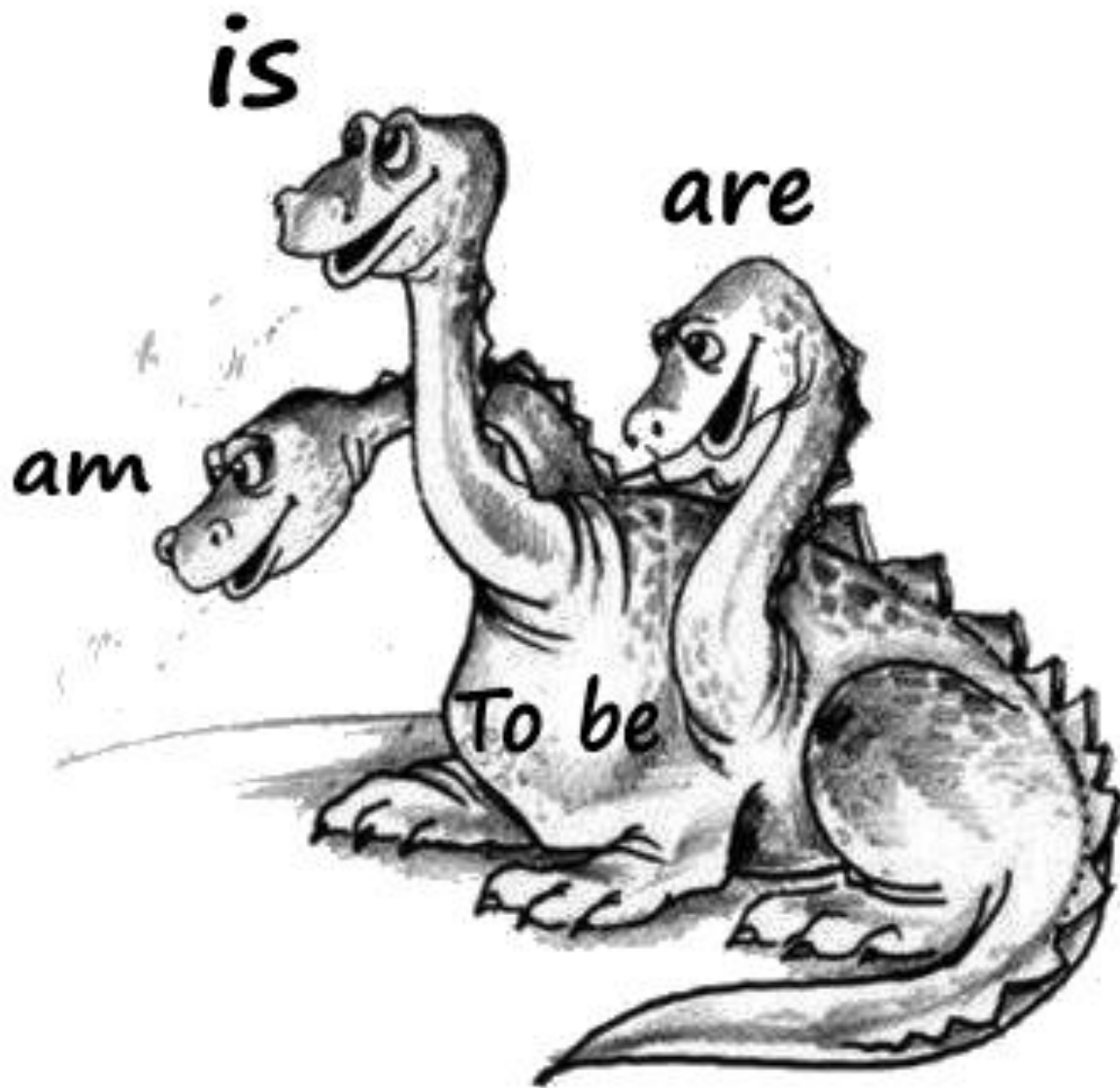


# THE VERB TO BE



# WHEN DO WE USE IT?

- **to introduce or present someone or something.**

I'm Tatiana. He's a pilot. They're my cars. Jo is his brother.

- **location (where something or someone is)**

You are at school. Tim's in New York. The bags are on the floor.

- **age (how old someone is)**

I'm 56. My dad is 40. They're 33 years old.

- **origin (where someone or something is from)**

Bill's from London. The dolls are Chinese.

- **job**

Stella and Sam are doctors. She's a singer.

- **to describe someone or something with an adjective**

He's clever. My friends are happy.

- **time or date**

It's 2 o'clock. Today is April 25.

- **weather**

It's rainy today. It is cold now.

am

- I

Be

is

- He
- She
- It
- A boy, my cat

are

- you
- We
- They
- Boys, cats

# Full Forms vs Contractions (Short Forms)

am □ 'm

is □ 's

are □ 're

MIND THE  
PRONUNCIATION  
OF THE SHORT  
FORMS!

I **am** Russian □ I **'m** Russian

He **is** stupid □ He **'s** stupid

Sam **is** a driver □ Sam **'s** a driver

You **are** nice □ You **'re** nice

# PRACTICE

- Use contractions instead of the full forms.

I am lazy  I'm lazy

Dad is outside  Dad's outside

You are his son  You're his son

We are students  We're students

She is 20 years old  She's 20 years old

It is hot today  It's hot today

They are from Greece  ~~They're from Greece~~

I am sad  I'm sad

# PRACTICE

- Fill in the missing form of 'to be'

My friends ARE from England.

You RE in Paris.

She S go.

My dog's name S Bobo.

The students ARE in the class.

It S 3 o'clock.

I M Ted's wife.

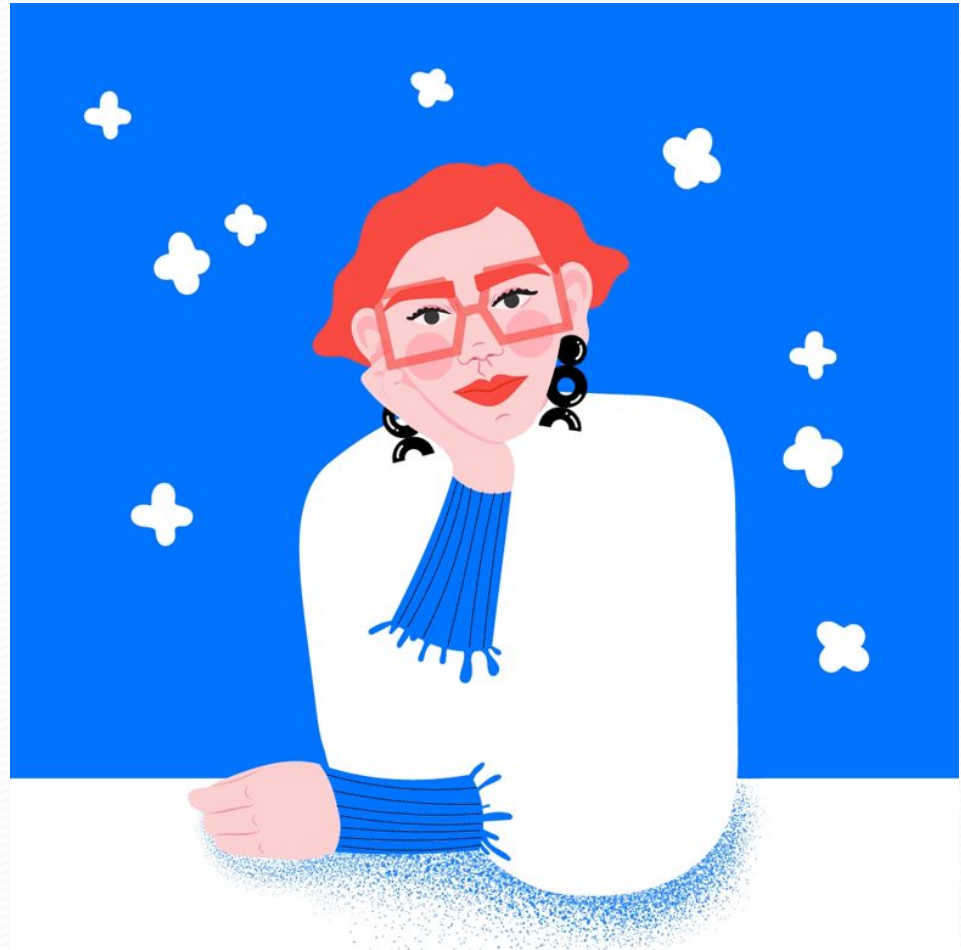
They RE American.

My bag S on the table.



# MAKE TRUE SENTENCES USING THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS AND **THE POSITIVE** FORMS OF THE VERB 'TO BE'.

- I
- He
- She
- It
- My friends
- We
- You
- My boss
- My mum





# NEGATIVE FORMS

- WE MAKE NEGATIVE SENTENCES ADDING **'NOT'** AFTER THE VERB. WE USE SHORT NEGATIVES.

AM	} + not	<input type="checkbox"/> 'M NOT
IS		<input type="checkbox"/> ISN'T ('S NOT)
ARE		<input type="checkbox"/> AREN'T ('RE NOT)

I'm not Irish. She isn't an actress. It isn't Monday. We aren't happy. Peter isn't 12. My parents aren't at home.

# PRACTICE

- Make negative sentences using the verb 'to be'

I'm here.  I'm not here.

Frank is my friend.  Frank isn't my friend.

They're kind.  They aren't kind.

You're Jane.  You aren't Jane.

She's from Canada.  She isn't from Canada.

He's in Class 10  He isn't in Class 10.

The children are late.  The children aren't late.

It's true.  It isn't true.

I'm a famous actor.  I'm not a famous actor.

# MAKE TRUE SENTENCES USING THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS AND **THE NEGATIVE** FORMS OF THE VERB TO BE.

- I
- He
- She
- It
- My colleagues
- We
- You
- My work
- The President

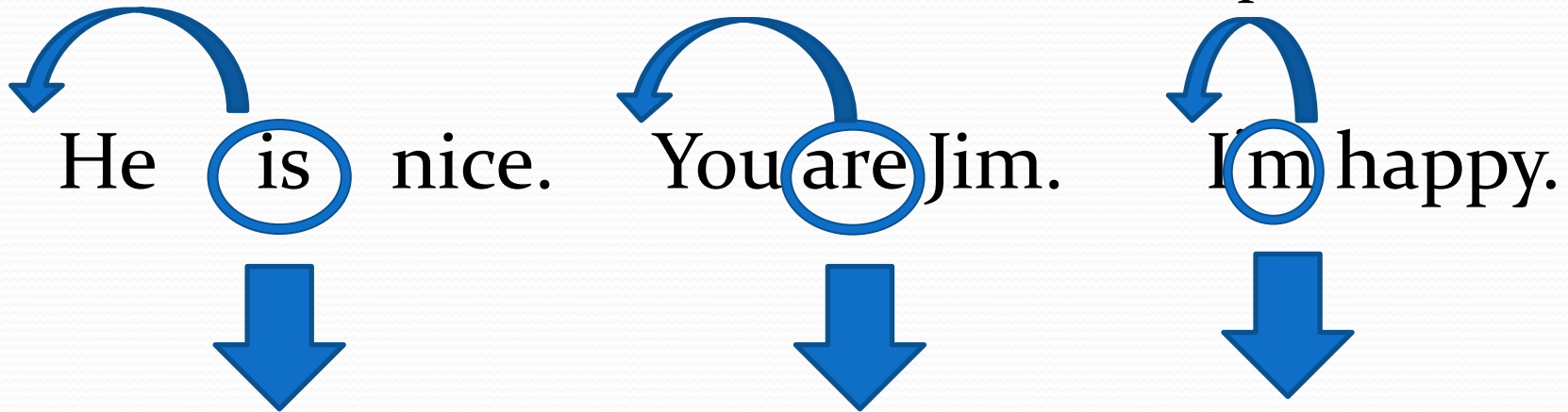


# Fill in a positive or a negative form of the verb 'to be' to make the sentences true

- The Pyramids ARE in Egypt.
- Baikal ISN'T in the USA.
- Brad Pitt ISN'T a doctor.
- We ARE at school.
- I 'M NOT an animal.
- Snow IS white.
- It ISN'T Saturday today.
- Lions ARE dangerous.
- The Chinese language ISN'T easy.
- London IS the capital of Great Britain.

# QUESTIONS

- To make questions we just need to change the word order. The verb 'to be' will be in the first place.



**Is** he nice?

**Are** you Jim?

**Am** I happy?

# HOW TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS?

Am I  
happy?

Yes, you are.  
No, you aren't.

Are you  
French?

Yes, I am.  
No, I'm not.

Is he 16?

Yes, he is.  
No, he isn't

Are you  
students?

Yes, we are.  
No, we aren't.

Is the ball  
yellow?

Yes, it is,  
No, it isn't.

Are the  
boys at  
home?

Yes, they are.  
No, they aren't.

# PRACTICE

**Make questions using the verb to be and the prompts.  
Give the correct answers!**

# Rome/the capital of Italy

Is Rome the  
capital of  
Italy?

Yes, it is.





you/from France?

Are you  
from  
France?

No, I'm  
not.

FRANCE



# he/a footballer

Is he a  
footballer?

No, he  
isn't.



# the apples/green

Are the  
apples  
green?

Yes, they  
are.



# we/in the class

Are we in the  
class?

Yes, we are.



she/old

Is she old?

No, she  
isn't.



it/Putin's dog

Is it Putin's  
dog?

Yes, it is.

