

# Affirmative

*LONG FORM*

*SHORT FORM*

• *Singular*

I am

I'm

you are

you're

he/she/it is

he's/she's/it's

• *Plural*

we are

we're

you are

you're

they are

they're



# Negative

## LONG FORM

## SHORT FORM

- *Singular*

I am not

I'm not

you are not

you aren't

he/she/it is not

he/she/it isn't

- *Plural*

we are not

we aren't

you are not

you aren't

they are not

they aren't



# Questions and short answers



- Am I...? Yes, I am. / No, I am not.
- Are you...? Yes, you are. / No, you are not.
- Is he...? Yes, he is. / No, he is not.
- Is she...? Yes, she is. / No, she is not.
- Is it...? Yes, it is. / No, it is not.
- Are we...? Yes, we are. / No, we are not.
- Are you...? Yes, you are. / No, you are not.
- Are they...? Yes, they are. / No, they are not.





# We use the verb to be:

## 1. To say who we are:

- *I'm Steve and this is my friend Bill.  
We're from Scotland.*
- *I'm Janet and these are my sisters.  
This is Sandra and this is Patricia.  
Sandra and Patricia are doctors.*





## 2. To talk about the weather:

*It's cold today.*

*It's a beautiful day.*

*It's usually hot here*

*It isn't very warm today.*





3. To talk about the time:

*It's ten o'clock.*

*It's half past four.*

*You're late!*



#### 4. To talk about places:

*Milan is in the north of Italy.*

*John and Mary are in Yorkshire.*



5. To talk about people's ages:

*My sister is six years old.*

