

ENGLISH

# Unit 1: Verbs: 'To Be' & 'To Have'



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Le verbe 'être'

# VERB: TO BE-

## Present simple of be

am, is, are



Present simple of be is used with:

- with age: I am twenty
- with an adjective: This exercise is easy.
- with this and that: This is my book.
- with nationalities: We are French.
- with jobs: Thomas is an engineer.

### Statements

I am - (I'm)

You are - (You're)

He/She/It is - (He's/She's/It's)

We are - (We're)

You are (plural)

They are - (They're)

Je suis

Tu es

Il/Elle est

Nous sommes

Vous êtes

Ils/Elles sont

# Negation

I am not - (I'm not)

You are not - (You aren't)

He/She/It is not - (He/She/It isn't)

We are not - (We aren't)

They are not- (They aren't)

## Exercises



a) Fill in the gaps with: am, is or are

1) I ..... a teacher.

2) We ..... at the mall.

3) The assignment ..... due on Monday.

4) Phillip ..... at work.

5) These ..... my siblings.

6) I ..... working this Saturday.

7) He ..... late.

8) The school ..... on this street.

9) My books ..... on the table.

10) She ..... my best friend.

b) Change the statements into negative sentences:

1) It is cold.

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2) This exercise is difficult.

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3) We are on a vacation.

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4) My cat is sick.

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5) They are at the restaurant.

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6) I'm an accountant.

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7) David is watching the news.

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8) We are waiting at the right place.

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9) Claire and Anne are at school.

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10) The train is on time.

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Le verbe 'avoir'

# VERB: TO HAVE-

## Present simple of have

have, has



Present simple of have is used:

- to indicate possession/ownership:  
I have a big family.  
She has a skateboard
- as an auxiliary verb:  
I haven't seen Peter in a while.

### Statements

I have- (I've)

You have - (You've)

He/She/It has

We have - (We've)

You have (plural)

They have - (They've)

J'ai

Tu as

Il/Elle a

Nous avons

Vous avez

Ils/Elles ont

# EXERCISE

Fill in the gaps with: Have or Has



- 1) My boss ..... a bad temper.
- 2) Those two women both..... red hair.
- 3) I ..... a blue car.
- 4) She ..... an appointment with the dentist.
- 5) We ..... an assignment to submit before the vacation.
- 6) He ..... many homes.
- 7) They are collectors, they ..... many watches.
- 8) Both of them really like socks and ..... a lot more than you or me.

# EXERCISE

Fill in the gaps with: am, is, are, have or has

- 1) My brother ..... a student. He ..... a lot of friends.
- 2) We ..... a new car. It ..... black in colour.
- 3) I ..... a fashion model. I ..... a lot of clothes.
- 4) She ..... a beautiful garden. It ..... full of flowers.
- 5) They ..... new to this neighborhood. They ..... a pet cat.
- 6) I ..... many shoes. I ..... a collector.
- 7) I ..... a happy person. You ..... always smiling





# AUDIO EXERCISE



For this audio exercise please listen to the speaker as they say different sentences using to have and to be.

On the following page please restate what they say but from your perspective.

Listen carefully and remember to conjugate to yourself and not the person they described!

Good luck!

