



VERB "TO BE"

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1. Grammar Focus: Be + Not

To make a negative sentence, add **not** after *am*, *is*, or *are*.

- **Full:** I am not • He / She / It is not • You / We / They are not
- **Short:** I'm not • He isn't / She isn't / It isn't • You aren't / We aren't / They aren't

2. Complete the Negative Sentences

Use **isn't** or **aren't** (or **'m not** for *I*) to complete each sentence.

1. I _____ tired today; I slept very well!
2. London _____ in France. It is in the UK.
3. We _____ ready to leave yet. Give us 5 minutes.
4. They _____ at home. They are at work.
5. The coffee _____ hot. It's cold!

3. Correct the Statements!

Read the incorrect statements below. Write a negative sentence, then give the correct positive sentence.

- *Example: "Paris is in Germany."*
→ Paris isn't in Germany. It is in France.

1. *"Bananas are blue."*

→ _____

2. *"Ice cream is hot."*

→ _____

3. *"Dogs are birds."*

→ _____

4. Pair Game: True or False Statements

Tell your partner 3 statements about yourself (2 true, 1 false) using the verb *be*.

Your partner must guess and correct the false one!

- *Example: "You aren't a doctor! You're a teacher!"*

Teacher's Key

Exercise 2: 1. 'm not, 2. isn't, 3. aren't, 4. aren't, 5. isn't.

Exercise 3:

1. Bananas aren't blue. They are yellow.
2. Ice cream isn't hot. It is cold.
3. Dogs aren't birds. They are animals/mammals.