



MINI-LESSON 3: SUBJECT PRONOUNS & TO BE

Objective

Learn the **subject pronouns** in English and how to use the verb **“to be”** in simple sentences.

Subject Pronouns

Pronoun	Meaning
I	the speaker
You	the person you talk to
He	a man / boy
She	a woman / girl
It	a thing or animal
We	the speaker + others
They	more than one person/thing

Tip: Pronouns replace names. Instead of “Maria is happy,” say **She is happy.**



The Verb “To Be” – Present Simple

Pronoun	Verb “To Be”	Example
I	am	I am a student.
You	are	You are tired.
He	is	He is my friend.
She	is	She is at work.
It	is	It is cold today.
We	are	We are ready.
They	are	They are teachers.

Remember:

- “I am”
- “He/She/It is”
- “You/We/They are”

Negative Form

Positive	Negative
I am happy.	I am not happy.
You are tired.	You are not tired.
She is here.	She is not here.

Short forms:

- I’m not
- You’re not / You aren’t
- He’s not / He isn’t



Yes/No Questions

Question	Answer
Are you a teacher?	Yes, I am. / No, I'm not.
Is he at home?	Yes, he is. / No, he isn't.
Are they ready?	Yes, they are. / No, they aren't.

Structure:

[Be] + Subject + ... ?

Is she your sister?

Are we late?

Mini Dialogue

A: Are you a student?

B: Yes, I am.

A: Is he in your class?

B: No, he isn't.

Practice: Fill in the Blanks

1. I ____ from Brazil.
2. She ____ my teacher.
3. We ____ not in class.
4. ____ you ready?
5. They ____ my friends.

(Answer key at bottom of page: 1. am 2. is 3. are 4. Are 5. are)



Try It Yourself

Write 3 sentences using **subject pronouns** and **the verb “to be”**:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Then, write **one yes/no question** and answer it:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Tip: “It” for Weather, Time, and Things

Use **“it”** for things, animals (when gender isn’t known), time, and weather:

- It is sunny.
- It is 5 o’clock.
- It is a good idea.

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