

Yes/No and Or Questions with the Verb Be



Is Mount Everest in China?
No, it isn't. It's in Nepal.

Yes/No Questions and Answers

Examples: Are you a student?

Yes, I am.

Is she sick?

No, she isn't. She's fine.

Is the book in Spanish?

No, it isn't. It is in English.

Short Answers—Yes

Yes, I am.

Yes, we are.

Yes, you are.

Yes, you are.

Yes, he/she/it is.

Yes, they are.

Short Answers—No

No, I am not.	(or)	No, I'm not.		
No, you are not.	(or)	No, you're not.	(or)	No, you aren't.
No, he is not.	(or)	No, she's not.	(or)	No, it isn't.
No, we are not.	(or)	No, we're not.	(or)	No, we aren't.
No, they are not.	(or)	No, they're not.	(or)	No, they aren't.

Or Questions and Answers

Examples: Is your car red or black?

It's red.

Are your classes in the morning or the evening?

They're in the evening.

Exercise I: Dictation

Listen to your teacher. Write the questions. Write answers. Discuss with a partner.

1. Question: _____

Answer: _____

2. Question: _____

Answer: _____

3. Question: _____

Answer: _____

4. Question: _____

Answer: _____

5. Question: _____

Answer: _____

6. Question: _____

Answer: _____

Exercise 2

Circle the correct words.

1. Question: (English is Is English) your first language?
Answer: No, (it is it isn't).
2. Question: (Is Are) Bonn and Berlin big (city cities)?
Answer: Yes, (they're they are).
3. Question: (Houses are Are houses) (in at on) this city
cheap (and or) expensive?
Answer: (Yes, they are. They are expensive.)

Exercise 3

Write questions about your classmates, family, friends, or famous people. Use the verb *be*. Then write the answers.

1. Question: Are your parents from Guatemala?
Answer: No, they aren't. They're from Costa Rica.
2. Question: _____ from Mexico?
Answer: _____
3. Question: _____ and _____ married?
Answer: _____
4. Question: _____ in class or absent today?
Answer: _____
5. Question: _____ a good actor?
Answer: _____

Discuss

- a. Are there students from Mexico in your class?
- b. Are any students in your class married? If yes, who?
- c. Is anyone absent today?
- d. Who is a good actor?

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the words and the verb *be*. Write questions. Then write answers.

1. it / hot today?

Question: Is it hot today?

Answer: No, it isn't. It's cool.

it / cloudy / sunny?

Question: Is it cloudy or sunny?

Answer: It's cloudy.

2. pizza / German food?

Question: _____

Answer: _____

3. jets / fast?

Question: _____

Answer: _____

4. the Nile River / in Africa / Asia?

Question: _____

Answer: _____

you / sure?

Question: _____

Answer: _____

5. Barcelona / the capital of Spain?

Question: _____

Answer: _____

6. strawberries / a summer fruit / a winter fruit?

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Exercise 5

Use the words and the verb *be*. Write questions. Write the answers.
Then discuss with a partner.

1. your car

Question: Is your car red?

Answer: No, it isn't. It is blue.

2. your computer

Question: Is your computer new or old?

Answer: It is new.

3. your eyes

Question: _____

Answer: _____

4. your favorite sport

Question: _____

Answer: _____

5. your favorite food

Question: _____

Answer: _____

6. your work

Question: _____

Answer: _____

7. your neighbors

Question: _____

Answer: _____