am / is / are

The verb **to be** — the first verb you need in English.

THE THREE FORMS

I	am
you	are
he / she / it	is
we	are
they	are

SHORT FORMS (SPEAKING)

I am	I'm
you are	you're
he is	he's
she is	she's
they are	they're

EXAMPLES

- I **am** from the United States. → I**'m** from the United States.
- She **is** my sister. → She**'s** my sister.
- They **are** at school.
- **Are** you a student? — Yes, I **am**. / No, I**'m not**.

CAREFUL!

✗ I **is** happy. → ✓ I **am** happy.

✗ She **are** my friend. → ✓ She **is** my friend.

✗ You **is** late. → ✓ You **are** late.

NOW YOU TRY

1. I _____ a teacher.
2. He _____ my brother.
3. We _____ from Egypt.
4. _____ you tired?
5. It _____ very hot today.

Answers: 1. am 2. is 3. are 4. Are 5. is