



Present Simple: Verb "Be": Affirmative & Negative

Fill in the blank with the correct option.

1. I ____ a student.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
2. She ____ from Brazil.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
3. They ____ my friends.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
4. He ____ a teacher at this school.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
5. We ____ in the same class.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
6. The cat ____ on the sofa.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
7. You ____ very kind.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
8. It ____ cold today.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
9. My parents ____ at home.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
10. I ____ happy to see you.
a) am b) is c) are d) be
11. She ____ not a doctor. She's a nurse.
a) am b) is c) are d) do
12. They ____ at school today. They're sick.
a) isn't b) aren't c) am not d) don't
13. I ____ tired. I slept well last night.
a) am not b) isn't c) aren't d) don't
14. This book ____ very interesting. It's boring.
a) isn't b) aren't c) am not d) doesn't
15. We ____ ready yet. Give us five minutes.
a) isn't b) aren't c) am not d) don't

16. He ____ from China. He's from Japan.
a) isn't b) aren't c) am not d) don't
17. The children ____ in the garden. They're inside.
a) isn't b) aren't c) am not d) doesn't
18. My name ____ John. It's David.
a) isn't b) aren't c) am not d) don't
19. You ____ late. The meeting starts in ten minutes.
a) isn't b) aren't c) am not d) doesn't
20. This ____ the right answer. Try again.
a) isn't b) aren't c) am not d) don't



Answers

1. a) am
2. b) is
3. c) are
4. b) is
5. c) are
6. b) is
7. c) are
8. b) is
9. c) are
10. a) am
11. b) is
12. b) aren't
13. a) am not
14. a) isn't
15. b) aren't
16. a) isn't
17. b) aren't
18. a) isn't
19. b) aren't
20. a) isn't



Explanations

1. “am” (a)

Use 'am' with the subject 'I'.

2. “is” (b)

Use 'is' with he/she/it.

3. “are” (c)

Use 'are' with they/we/you.

4. “is” (b)

Use 'is' with he/she/it.

5. “are” (c)

Use 'are' with 'we'.

6. “is” (b)

Use 'is' because 'the cat' is third person singular (= it).

7. “are” (c)

Use 'are' with 'you' (both singular and plural).

8. “is” (b)

Use 'is' with 'it'.

9. “are” (c)

Use 'are' because 'my parents' is plural (= they).

10. “am” (a)

Use 'am' with the subject 'I'.

11. “is” (b)

Use 'is not' (or 'isn't') with she. The negative is formed with be + not.

12. “aren't” (b)

Use 'aren't' for negative sentences with they/we/you.

13. “am not” (a)

Use 'am not' with 'I'. Note: there is no standard contraction 'amn't'.

14. “isn't” (a)

Use 'isn't' for negative sentences with he/she/it.

15. “aren't” (b)

Use 'aren't' for negative sentences with 'we'.

16. “isn't” (a)

Use 'isn't' for negative sentences with 'he'.

17. “aren't” (b)

Use 'aren't' because 'the children' is plural (= they).

18. “isn't” (a)

Use 'isn't' because 'my name' is third person singular (= it).

19. “aren't” (b)

Use 'aren't' with 'you'.

20. “isn't” (a)

Use 'isn't' because 'this' is singular (= it).