Unit 1

am/is/are

A

My name is Lisa.
I’m American, I’m from Chicago.
I’m a student.
My father is a doctor and my mother is a journalist.
My favourite colour is blue.
My favourite sports are football and swimming.
I’m interested in art.

B

positive

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short forms

I’m cold. Can you close the window, please?
I’m 32 years old. My sister is 29.
Steve is ill. He’s in bed.
My brother is afraid of dogs.
It’s ten o’clock. You’re late again.
Ann and I are good friends.
Your keys are on the table.
I’m tired, but I’m not hungry.
Tom isn’t interested in politics. He’s interested in music.
Jane isn’t a teacher. She’s a student.
Those people aren’t English. They’re Australian.
It’s sunny today, but it isn’t warm.

C

that’s = that is 
there’s = there is
here’s = here is

Thank you. That’s very kind of you.
Look! There’s Chris.
‘Here’s your key.’ ‘Thank you.’

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there is/are → Unit 37
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Exercises

Unit 1

1.1 Write the short form (she’s / we aren’t etc.).

1 she is  she’s
2 they are
3 it is not
4 that is
5 I am not
6 you are not

1.2 Write am, is or are.

1 The weather is nice today.
2 I
3 This bag is heavy.
4 These bags are heavy.
5 I
6 My brother and I are good tennis players.
7 Emily is at home.
8 I

1.3 Complete the sentences.

1 Steve is ill. He’s in bed.
2 I’m not hungry, but I’m thirsty.
3 Mr Thomas is a very old man. He’s 98.
4 These chairs aren’t beautiful, but they’re comfortable.
5 The weather is nice today. It’s warm and sunny.
6 ‘I’m late.’ ‘No, I’m not. I’m early!’
7 Catherine isn’t at home. She’s at work.
8 ‘Your coat.’ ‘Oh, thank you very much.’

1.4 Look at Lisa’s sentences in 1A. Now write sentences about yourself.

1 (name?) My
2 (from?) I
3 (age?) I
4 (job?) I
5 (favourite colour or colours?) My
6 (interested in …?) I

1.5 Write sentences for the pictures. Use:

afraid angry cold hot hungry thirsty

1 She’s thirsty.
2 They
3 He
4
5

1.6 Write true sentences, positive or negative. Use is/aren’t or are/aren’t.

1 (it / hot today) It isn’t hot today. or It’s hot today.
2 (it / windy today) It
3 (my hands / cold) My
4 (Brazil / a very big country)
5 (diamonds / cheap)
6 (Toronto / in the US)

Write true sentences, positive or negative. Use I’m / I’m not.

7 (tired) I’m tired. or I’m not tired.
8 (hungry) I
9 (a good swimmer)
10 (interested in football)

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