

BE verb negative

Just add **not** after the BE verb.

I am not from here.

We are not in the same room.

You are not from Canada.

He is not my brother.

She is not a nurse.

They are not students.

It is not hot today.

Practice 1:

Write a complete negative sentence. Use the BE verb + not.

Ex. Tara is a teacher.

she / a dentist

She is not a dentist.

She's not a dentist.

1. It is 11:00 A.M.

it / 11:00 P.M.

It's not 11:00 p.m./ It isn't 11 p.m.

2. Harry is from England.

he / from Canada

He is not from Canada. He's not/He isn't

3. Juan and Gloria are divorced.

they / married

They are not/aren't married.

4. My wife is bad.

it / good

It is not good. It isn't good. It's not good.

We are not related. We're not related.

5. Amy and I are good friends.

we / related

* related = part of the same family

We aren't related.

They are not open. They're not

6. The stores are closed on New Year's Day.

they / open

open. They aren't open.

7. I am hardworking.

I / lazy

I'm not lazy. I am not lazy.

8. You are on time for class.

you / late

You are not late. You aren't late. You're

not late.

9. My mother is 72 years old.

she / 73

She is not 73. She's not 73. She isn't 73.

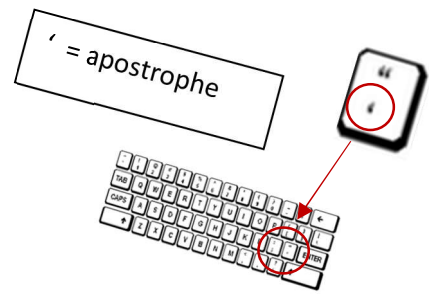
10. It is cloudy today.

it / sunny

It is not sunny. It isn't sunny. It's not sunny.

Contractions

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|--|---|
| I am not = I'm not | We are not = We aren't We're not |
| You are not = You aren't You're not | You are not = You aren't You're not |
| He is not = He isn't / He's not She is not = She isn't / She's not It is not = It isn't / It's not | They are not = They aren't They're not |



Practice 2:

Rewrite the negative sentences in Practice 1, but make the negative verb a contraction. For all subjects except for I, you can write the contraction two ways.

Ex. She's not a dentist. _____

She isn't a dentist. _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____
