

LESSON 3

to be - negative, and “yes/no” question forms



GRAMMAR SECTION

The Interrogative Form

Para criar frases interrogativas utilizando o verbo “to be” simplesmente coloca o verbo antes do pronome. Compare estas frases afirmativas com frases interrogativas, observe como muda a seqüência de pronome-verbo á verbo-pronome:

AFIRMATIVO

You are a pilot.
She is a bookkeeper.
I am a doctor.
He is a gardener.
We are engineers.
They are cooks.

INTERROGATIVO

Are you a pilot?
Is she a bookkeeper?
Am I a doctor?
Is he a gardener?
Are we engineers?
Are they cooks?

The Negative Form

No Inglês a forma negativa também é muito simples. As frases negativas que utilizam somente a verbo “to be” são criados colocando a palavra “not” depois do verbo. Compare a forma afirmativa com a negativa:

AFIRMATIVO

We are architects.
They are managers.
I am an accountant.

NEGATIVO

We are not architects.
They are not managers.
I am not an accountant.

Na forma negativa existem dois tipos de contrações, mas tem o mesmo significado:

You're an actor.
We're lawyers.
They're actresses.

You're not an actor. / You aren't an actor.
We're not lawyers. / We aren't lawyers.
They're not actresses. / They aren't actresses.