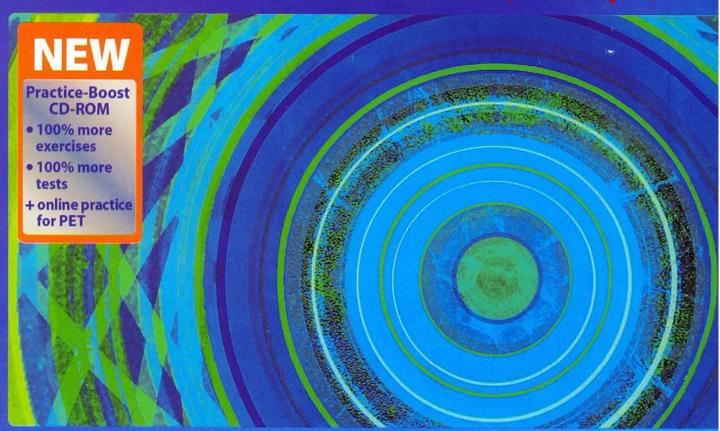
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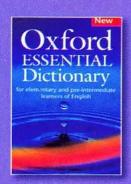


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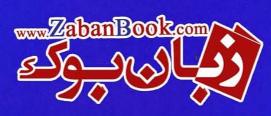






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# Introduction

The Oxford Practice Grammar is a series of three books, each written at the right level for you at each stage in your study of English. The series is intended for your use either in a classroom or when working independently in your own time.

The books are divided into units, each of which covers an important grammar topic. Each unit starts with an explanation of the grammar and this is followed by a set of practice exercises. Tests at the end of each unit or section of units give the opportunity for more practice and enable you to assess how much you have learned. Answers to the exercises and the tests are given at the back of the book.

You may want to choose the order in which you study the grammar topics, perhaps going first to those giving you problems. (Topics are listed in the Contents page at the front of each book and in the Index at the back.) Alternatively you may choose to start at the beginning of each book and work through to the end.

An interactive CD-ROM is included at each of the three levels, offering alternative ways to practise. You can recognize and correct written mistakes, and you can also take part in spoken dialogues; you can record and listen to your own voice and learn to speak more naturally.

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Grammar topics are explained simply and clearly and you are given lots of opportunity to practise.

Each new topic is presented on a left-hand page and the practice section follows on the same page or the facing page. You can therefore look across to the explanation while you are working through the exercises.

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The symbol / (oblique stroke) between two words means that either word is possible. We put does before he/she/it means that We put does before he, We put does before she and We put does before it are all possible. In exercise questions this symbol is also used to separate words or phrases which are possible answers.

Brackets () around a word or phrase in the middle of a sentence mean that it can be left out. She said (that) she lived in a small flat means that there are two possible sentences: She said that she lived in a small flat and She said she lived in a small flat.

The symbol ~ means that there is a change of speaker. In the example When did Jane go to India? ~ In June, the question and answer are spoken by different people.

The symbol ▶ in an exercise indicates that a sample answer is given.

# 1 Be: Present Simple (1)

Tenses: present Here are some examples of be in the Present Simple:

This is my brother. He's ten years old.
I'm a student. These are my books.
They aren't at home. They're at the theatre.

2 We form the Present Simple of be like this:

POSITIVE	a spinne	
	FULL FORM	SHORT FORM
Singular	I am	I'm
	you are	you're
	he/she/it is	he's/she's/it's
Plural	we are	we're
	you are	you're
	they are	they're
NEGATIVE		
	FULL FORM	SHORT FORM
Singular	I am not	I'm not
	you are not	you aren't
	he/she/it is not	he/she/it isn't
Plural	we are not	we aren't
	you are not	you aren't
	they are not	they aren't

3 In speech, we usually use the short forms:

She's my sister. I'm from Italy.

He's my brother. They're German. 4 We use be:

to say who we are:

I'm Steve and this is my friend Bill. We're from Scotland.

I'm Janet and these are my sisters. This is Sandra and this is Patricia. Sandra and Patricia are doctors.

► to talk about the weather: It's cold today. It's a beautiful day. It's usually hot here It isn't very warm today.

to talk about the time: It's ten o'clock. It's half past four. You're late!

to talk about places: Milan is in the north of Italy. John and Mary are in Yorkshire.

to talk about people's ages: My sister is six years old.

# Practice

- A Maria is from Brazil. She is writing about herself and her family. Put full forms of be in the gaps.
  - ▶ I am a student from Brazil.
  - ▶ My parents are not .... (not) rich.
  - 1 My father ..... a teacher.
  - 2 My mother ..... (not) Brazilian.
  - 3 She ..... from America.
  - 4 I ..... twenty years old.
  - 5 My little brother ..... two.
  - 6 My older brothers ...... (not) students.
  - 7 They ..... in the army.
  - 8 It ..... often very hot in Brazil.



B	Now fill these gaps. This	time, use short fo	rms of be, as	in the examp	oles.
	I'm       a doctor.         1 She       (not) a         2 He       a stude         3 They       at ho         4 They       (not)         5 It       (not) cold	a teacher. ent. me. in the park. d today.	6 It	eight o	Paris. from Bordeaux. ) twenty-one.
C	Choose words from the b		THE STANSON IN		
	He's She's They're	It's (x2) are	is We i	sn't	
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D	Look at these pictures. The choosing the correct jobs		STATE OF THE PARTY	170	sentences,
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	Italy Paolo Federico	nationality: We're	olo and this is F from Italy. policeman and F		******
	Sweden Signary Liv	names: nationality: jobs:			
	2 Mexico Maria Pedro	names: nationality: jobs:			
	3 Australia	names: nationality: jobs:			
	4 Japan Tomoko Akira	names: nationality: jobs: www	ZabanB	ook.com	
	5 India Rajiv Vikram	names: nationality: jobs:	بوک		2

# 2 Be: Present Simple (2)

- We use be:
  - to talk about how we feel:

I'm happy. They're sad.
They're bored. She's tired.
We're hungry. I'm thirsty.
He isn't afraid. They're cold.

to greet people:

Bill: Hello. How are you?

Jane: I'm fine thanks. How are you?

▶ to apologize: I'm sorry I'm late.

to describe things: It isn't expensive. It's cheap. It's an old film. It isn't very good. These photos are bad!
(For other uses of be, see Unit 1.)

We use there + be to talk about the existence of something. There + be can be used to talk about where things are:

SINGULAR: There's a supermarket in this

street.

There is a telephone in the flat.

PLURAL: There are some good cafes in

the centre of the town.

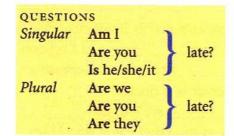
We also use there + be to talk about when things happen:

There is a bus to London at six o'clock.

There are taxis, but there aren't any buses on Sunday.

There isn't another train to Manchester today.

3 We form questions with be in the Present Simple like this:



Here are some examples of questions using all the forms of be:

Am I late for the film? Are you twenty years old?



# Practice

Make sentences about the pictures using the words in the box. Use He/She/They and the Present Simple of be.

tired sad thirsty happy hungry bored afraid cold



She's thirsty



1 He .....



2 They ..



3



4 .....



5 .....



6 .....



......

В	Use there + the correct form of be to say what we can and cannot find in the town of Smallwood.
	<ul> <li>(a cinema: ✓) There's a cinema.</li> <li>(a river) There isn't a river.</li> <li>(restaurants: 10) There are ten restaurants.</li> <li>1 (a castle: ✓) a castle.</li> <li>2 (baker's shops: 2) two baker's shops.</li> <li>3 (a zoo: ✓) a zoo.</li> <li>4 (banks: 6) six banks.</li> <li>5 (a luxury hotel: ✓) a luxury hotel.</li> <li>6 (a theatre) a theatre.</li> <li>7 (newsagents: 6) six newsagents.</li> <li>8 (many tourists) many tourists.</li> </ul>
C	Write questions by putting the words in brackets () in the correct order.  In thirsty – you – are)  Are you thirsty?  1 (a teacher – you – are)  2 (they – bored – are)  3 (is – afraid – he)  4 (she – tired – is)  5 (are – you – how)  6 (cold today – it – is)  7 (she – Spanish – is)
D	8 (they – from London – are)  Put forms of be in these conversations.
	Steve: This (▶) !s
E	Write questions using the words in brackets ( ) and a form of be.  QUESTIONS  (you/Spanish)? Are you Spanish ? No, I'm French.  (you/hungry)? ? No, I'm thirsty.  (she/your sister)? ? No, she's my mother.  (I/late)? ? No, you're on time.  (they/from America)? ? No, they're from Canada.  (he/a tennis player)? ? No, he's a footballer.  (you/happy)? ? No, I'm sad.  (she/at home)? ? No, she's at work.  (he/twenty)? ? No, he's eighteen years old.

# 3 Present Simple (1)

We form the Present Simple like this:

POSITIVE

Singular I know
you know
he/she/it knows

Plural we know
you know
they know

I know the answer. She starts work at 9.30.

We add -s after he/she/it:

I start → he starts I live → she lives

If a verb ends in -ch, -o, -sh or -ss, we add -es after he/she/it:

I watch  $\rightarrow$  he watches you do  $\rightarrow$  he does they go  $\rightarrow$  it goes we wash  $\rightarrow$  she washes

If a verb ends in a consonant (b, c, etc.) + y (e.g. study), we use -ies after he/she/it:

I study  $\rightarrow$  he studies I fly  $\rightarrow$  it flies

(For more examples, see Appendix 2, page 243.)

Now look at these examples of the negative: I don't like that music. He doesn't listen to his teacher.

NEGATIVE FULL FORM SHORT FORM I do not know. I don't know. You do not know. You don't know. He/She/It does He doesn't know. not know. We do not know. We don't know. You do not know. You don't know. They do not know. They don't know.

Note that we say:

He does not know. (NOT He does not knows.)

- 3 We use the Present Simple:
  - to talk about things that happen regularly:

    He plays golf every day.



to talk about facts:
 She comes from France.
 (= She is French.)
 Greengrocers sell vegetables.
 I don't speak Chinese.

## **Practice**

- Add -s or -es to the verbs in the sentences if it is necessary. If it is not necessary, put a tick (✓) in the gap.
  - ► He work 5 in a bank.
  - ► They live ..... in France.
  - 1 I watch ...... TV every day.
  - 2 She go ...... to work by car.
  - 3 The film finish ...... at ten o'clock.
  - 4 We play ...... tennis every weekend.
- 5 They go ...... on holiday in August.
- 6 He speak ...... Italian and French.
- 7 She do ...... her homework every night.
- 8 We start ...... work at half past eight.
- Now finish these sentences using a verb from the box. Use each verb once. Remember to add -s or -es if necessary.

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3	Sh	e	to	New Yo	ork once	e a month.	7	Ī	froit in a
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Write these	e sentence	es, using t	the negativ	ve form of	the Pre	sent Simp	le.
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2 (I/not/pla	ay/golf)						
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# Key to the exercises

#### Unit 1 A 1 is 4 am 7 are 2 is not is 8 is 3 is 6 are not 1 isn't 5 isn't

9 aren't 2 's 10 'm 3 're .. re 4 aren't

8 aren't

- 1 isn't, It's 3 She's 5 are 2 is, He's 4 It's, We
- 1 names: I'm Bjorn and this is Liv. nationality: We're from Sweden. jobs: I'm a doctor and Liv is a film
  - 2 names: I'm Maria and this is Pedro. nationality: We're from Mexico. jobs: I'm a teacher and Pedro is a pop star.
  - 3 names: I'm Jim and this is Mary. nationality: We're from Australia. jobs: I'm a bank manager and Mary is an artist.
  - 4 names: I'm Tomoko and this is Akira. nationality: We're from Japan. jobs: I'm a dentist and Akira is a photographer.
  - 5 names: I'm Rajiv and this is Vikram. nationality: We're from India. jobs:

I'm a scientist and Vikram is

a farmer.

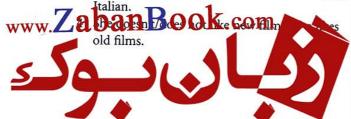
#### Unit 2

- A 1 's/is cold.
  - 2 're/are happy.
  - 3 He's/He is afraid.
  - 4 She's/She is bored.
  - 5 He's/He is hungry.
  - 6 They're/They are sad.
  - 7 They're/They are tired.
- B 1 There's/There is
  - 2 There are
  - 3 There's/There is
  - 4 There are
  - There's/There is
  - There isn't/There is not
  - There are
  - There aren't/are not

- 1 Are you a teacher?
  - 2 Are you bored?
  - 3 Is he afraid?
  - 4 Is she tired?
  - 5 How are you?
  - 6 Is it cold today?
  - 7 Is she Spanish?
  - Are they from London?
- 1 Are 3 'm/am 5 Is 2 'm/am 4 Are 6 's/is
- 1 Are you hungry?
  - 2 Is she your sister?
  - 3 Am I late?
  - 4 Are they from America?
  - 5 Is he a tennis player?
  - 6 Are you happy?
  - 7 Is she at home?
  - 8 Is he twenty?

### Unit 3

- A 1 watch ✓ 3 finishes 5 go ✓ 7 does 2 goes 4 play / 6 speaks 8 start ✓
- 1 drink 3 flies 5 live 7 sell 2 studies 4 smokes 6 finishes
- 1 She doesn't/does not work in a bank.
  - 2 I don't/do not play golf.
  - 3 Paul doesn't/does not listen to the radio.
  - 4 We don't/do not speak French.
  - 5 You don't/do not listen to me!
  - 6 My car doesn't/does not work.
  - 7 I don't/do not drink tea.
  - 8 Sheila doesn't/does not eat meat.
  - 9 I don't/do not understand you.
- D 1 eat 7 work 2 brush 8 like 3 go 9 stop
  - arrive 10 have (or drink)
  - drink (OR have) 11 leave start 12 watch
- doesn't/does not work, works
  - 2 lives in a flat, doesn't/does not live in a house
  - 3 She speaks French. She doesn't/does not speak



#### Unit 4

- A 1 feel
  - 2 don't/do not understand
  - 3 think
  - 4 don't/do not like
  - 5 don't/do not know
  - 6 want
  - 7 like
- He likes coffee.
  - 2 He doesn't like films.
  - 3 He loves his job.
  - 4 He hates fishing.
  - 5 He loves holidays.
  - 6 He doesn't like golf.
- C 1 Do you speak any foreign languages?
  - 2 Do you watch TV?
    - 3 Does John listen to the radio?
    - 4 Does John like dogs?
    - 5 Do you like films?
  - 6 Does John drink coffee?
  - 7 Do you drive a car?
  - 8 Does John play a musical instrument?
  - 9 Do you like pop music?
  - 10 Do you go to the theatre?
  - 11 Do you read books?
  - 12 Does John smoke?
- 1 Does ... have a swimming pool?
  - 2 Do all the banks change tourists' money into
  - 3 Does the number 38 bus stop at the railway station? (OR Does the number 38 bus start here?)
  - 4 Do the restaurants serve typical English food?
  - 5 Does the concert finish before eleven p.m.?
  - 6 Does the sightseeing tour start here? (OR Does the sightseeing tour stop at the railway station?)
  - 7 Does the museum sell souvenirs?

#### Unit 5

- A 1 X They aren't/They're not/They are not working.
  - ✓ They're/They are sitting in the garden.
  - 2 X I'm not/I am not studying music.
    - √ I'm/I am learning Japanese.
  - 3 ✓ He's/He is playing tennis.
    - X He isn't/He's not/He is not winning.
  - 4 \( \sqrt{\text{ We're/We are spending a day at the seaside.} \)
    - ✓ The sun isn't/is not shining.
- 1 is shining
- 5 are watching
- 2 are sitting
- 6 are travelling
- 3 am drinking
- 7 is reading
- 4 are not swimming
- 8 am writing

- 1 g am going
  - 2 a is taking
- 5 e are eating
- 6 c is staying
- 3 b is working 4 h is walking
- 7 f is studying

- Unit 6
- A 1 Is she having lunch?
  - 2 Are they playing football?
  - 3 Is the cat sleeping?
  - 4 Is the sun shining?
  - 5 Are you coming to the cinema?
  - 6 Are they listening?
  - 7 Is she eating at the moment?
  - 8 Is it raining hard?
  - 9 Am I getting better at tennis?
  - 10 Are we winning the match?
- 1 Are you studying English at the moment?
  - ~ Yes, I'm/I am working hard.
  - 2 Are they listening to the radio?
    - ~ No, they're/they are playing CDs.
  - 3 Is Peter washing now?
    - ~ Yes, he's/he is having a bath.
  - 4 Are they living in Madrid at the moment?
    - ~ Yes, they're/they are learning Spanish.
  - 5 Is David singing in a group this year?
  - ~ No, he's/he is working in a restaurant.
- C 1 They're enjoying the film. ✓
  - 2 We're loving ice-cream. X
  - 3 She's believing he's right. X
  - 4 John's thinking about my idea. ✓
  - 5 He's having lunch at the moment. ✓
  - 6 She's eating a banana.
  - 7 He thinks it's a good idea. 🗸
  - 8 'Huge' is meaning 'very big'. X
  - 9 Mick is knowing Jane. X
  - 10 She's hating cl. ssical music. X
- 1 I'm/I am shopping
- 6 She's/She is singing
- 2 I'm/I am looking
- 7 are they doing
- 3 I'm/I am playing
- 8 They're/They are studying
- 4 She's/She is working
- 9 We're/We are painting
- 5 's she/is she doing
- 10 's/is helping

