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Welcome



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Vocabulary The alphabet

1 Listen and repeat.



2 Listen and write the names under the photos.



1 _____



2 _____



3 _____



4 _____



5 _____



6 _____

3 Listen to the dialogue. Then listen and repeat.

- A What's your name?
 B My name's Amy.
 A How do you spell that?
 B A - M - Y

4 **Pairwork** Ask and answer the questions in exercise 3. Use your name.

Numbers

5 Complete the chart with the words in the box. Then listen and repeat.

a hundred eighteen forty fourteen
 nine seventy six
 twenty-one **two**

- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 one | 21 ⁵ _____ |
| 2 two | 22 twenty-two |
| 3 three | 30 thirty |
| 4 four | 40 ⁶ _____ |
| 5 five | 50 fifty |
| 6 ¹ _____ | 60 sixty |
| 7 seven | 70 ⁷ _____ |
| 8 eight | 80 eighty |
| 9 ² _____ | 90 ninety |
| 10 ten | 100 ⁸ _____ |
| 11 eleven | |
| 12 twelve | |
| 13 thirteen | |
| 14 ³ _____ | |
| 15 fifteen | |
| 16 sixteen | |
| 17 seventeen | |
| 18 ⁴ _____ | |
| 19 nineteen | |
| 20 twenty | |

6 Write the missing numbers.

Test your Math!

eight + seven = **fifteen**

1 _____ - two = eighteen

2 eighty - eight = _____

3 three x nineteen = _____

4 eight + _____ = twenty

5 sixty-seven - thirteen = _____


6 four x _____ = eighty

7 forty - twelve = _____

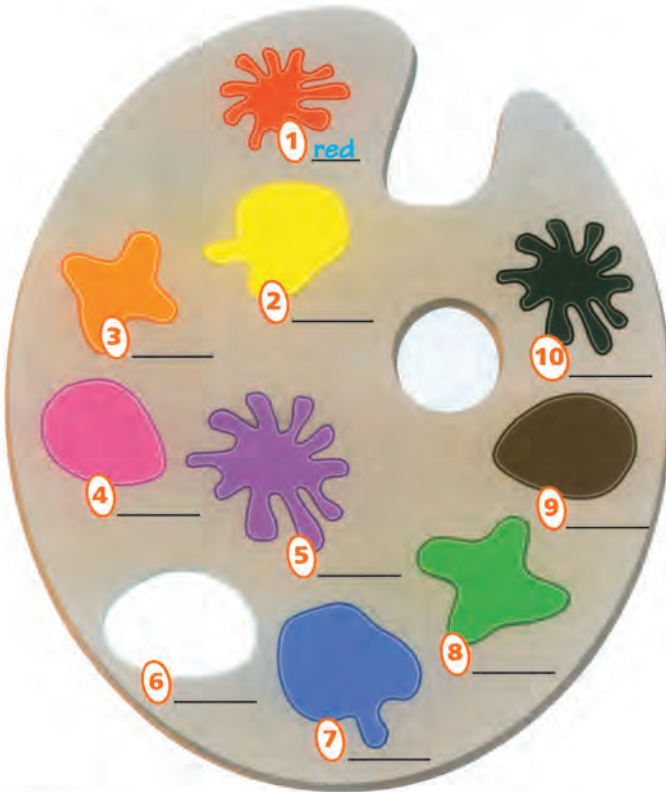
7 **Pairwork** Ask and answer questions about your age.

- A How old are you?
 B I'm twelve.

Colors









- 1  Match the words in the box with the colors. Then listen and repeat.


black blue brown green orange
 pink purple red white yellow



- 2 Write the correct color.


red + white = pink

- 1 brown - green = _____  
 2 blue + yellow = _____  
 3 purple - red = _____  
 4 red + yellow = _____  
 5 red + green = _____
 6 blue + red = _____
 7 green - blue = _____

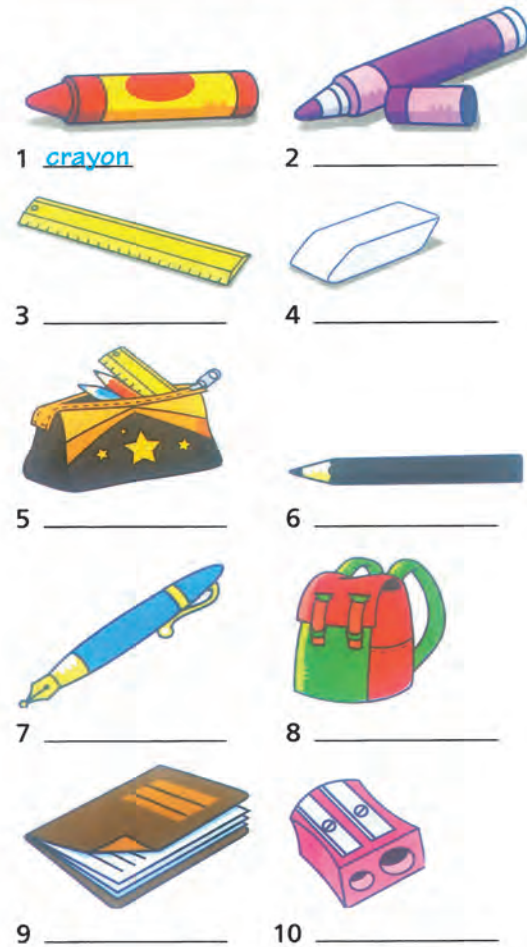
- 3 **Pairwork** Ask and answer questions about your favorite color. 

A What's your favorite color?
 B It's ...

Classroom objects


- 4  Match the words with the pictures. Then listen and repeat.

bag ~~crayon~~ eraser felt-tip
 notebook pen pencil pencil case
 pencil sharpener ruler



- 5  Listen to the dialogue. Then listen and repeat.

A What's this?
 B It's a pen.
 A What color is it?
 B It's blue.

- 6 **Pairwork** Ask and answer questions about the objects in exercise 4. 



School subjects

- 1 Match the words with the pictures.
Then listen and repeat.

art drama English geography
history I.C.T. math music
P.E. science



1 science 2 _____



3 _____ 4 _____



5 _____ 6 _____



7 _____ 8 _____



9 _____ 10 _____

- 2 Write your school timetable for one day.

Lesson 1	
Lesson 2	
Lesson 3	
Lesson 4	
Lesson ...	

- 3 **Pairwork** Ask and answer questions about your favorite subject.

A What's your favorite subject?
B It's ...

Classroom language

- 4 Match the words with the pictures.
Then listen and repeat.

close your book draw listen look
~~open your book~~ read repeat
sit down stand up write



1 Open your book.



2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____



5 _____ 6 _____ 7 _____



8 _____ 9 _____ 10 _____

- 5 Listen to your teacher. Follow the instructions.

- 6 **Pairwork** Give and follow instructions.

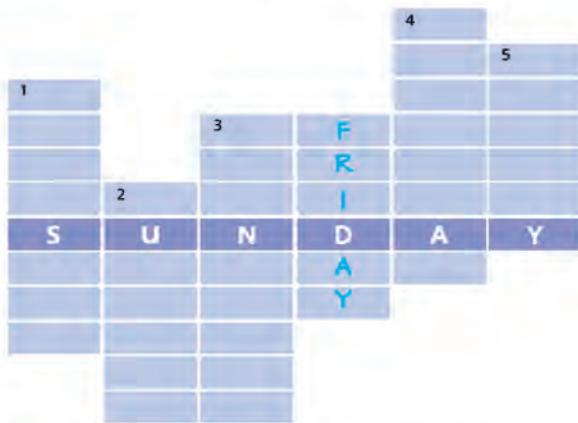
A Open your book.
B Look at the teacher.
A Draw a pencil case.
B Write eraser.



Days and months

- 1 Complete the puzzle with the days of the week.

Friday Monday Saturday Thursday
Tuesday Wednesday



- 2 Write the days of the week in the correct order. Then listen and repeat.

1 Monday 5 _____
2 _____ 6 _____
3 _____ 7 _____
4 _____

- 3 Write the months in the correct order. Then listen and repeat.

April August December February
January July June March May
November October September



Ordinal numbers and dates

- 4 Complete the calendar with the ordinal numbers in the box. Then listen and repeat.

eighteenth eleventh fourteenth ninth
~~sixth~~ thirty-first twenty-fifth
twenty-second twenty-seventh
twenty-third



August

1 st first	2 nd second	3 rd third	4 th fourth
5 th fifth	6 th <u>sixth</u>	7 th seventh	8 th eighth
9 th 1 _____	10 th tenth	11 th 2 _____	12 th twelfth
13 th thirteenth	14 th 3 _____	15 th fifteenth	16 th sixteenth
17 th seventeenth	18 th 4 _____	19 th nineteenth	20 th twentieth
21 st twenty-first	22 nd 5 _____	23 rd 6 _____	24 th twenty-fourth
25 th 7 _____	26 th twenty-sixth	27 th 8 _____	28 th twenty-eighth
29 th twenty-ninth	30 th thirtieth	31 st 9 _____	

- 5 Listen and check (✓) the dates you hear.

1 a May 12th b May 20th
2 a February 3rd b February 13th
3 a July 6th b July 26th
4 a December 1st b December 21st
5 a August 30th b August 31st
6 a March 2nd b March 7th

- 6 **Pairwork** Ask and answer questions about your birthday. 🎂

A When's your birthday?
B It's October fifteenth.

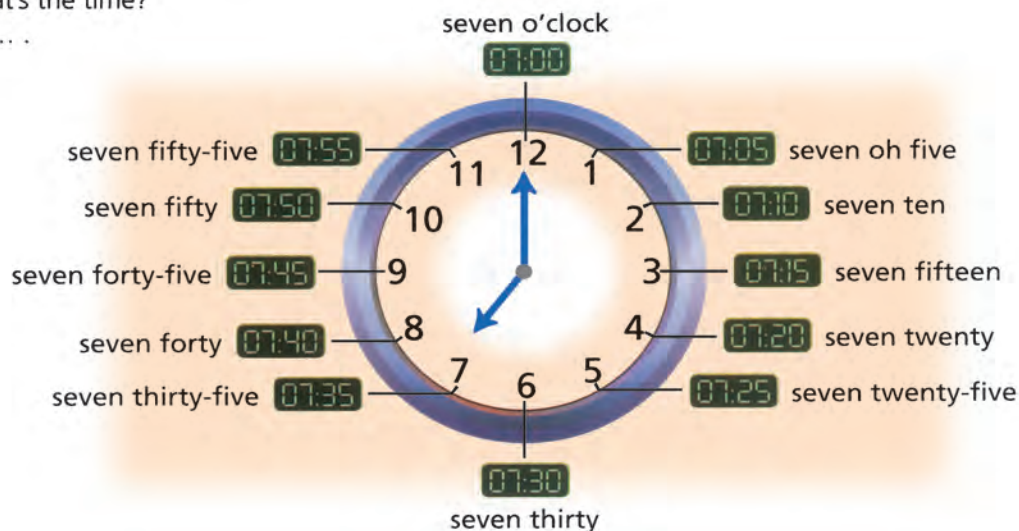


Time

1 Listen and repeat.

A What's the time?

B It's ...



2 Look at the clocks. Write the times.



It's three o'clock.



1 It's _____.



2 It's _____.



3 It's _____.



4 It's _____.



5 It's _____.



6 It's _____.



7 It's _____.

3 Listen and write the times.

1 It's five thirty.

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

5 _____

6 _____

7 _____

8 _____

9 _____

10 _____


4 **Pairwork** Ask and answer questions about the times on the clocks in exercise 2.

A What's the time?

B It's ...



Animals

- 1  Match the words with the pictures.
Then listen and repeat.

bird cat dog ~~fish~~ hamster
horse mouse snake



1 fish



2 _____



3 _____



4 _____



5 _____




6 _____



7 _____



8 _____

- 2 **Pairwork** Ask and answer questions about your favorite animal. 

A What's your favorite animal?
B It's a ...

Grammar Plurals

- 3  Match the words with the pictures.
Then listen and repeat.

baby ~~boy~~ box bus dish
ice cream pizza rabbit sandwich



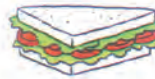
1 boy



2 _____



3 _____



4 _____



5 _____



6 _____



7 _____



8 _____



9 _____

Look!

Irregular plurals

man – men

child – children

fish – fish

woman – women

person – people

mouse – mice

- 4  Complete the chart with the plural form of the words. Then listen and repeat.

Singular	Plural: + -s
boy	1 <u>boys</u>
ice cream	2 _____
pizza	3 _____
rabbit	4 _____

Singular	Plural: + -es
sandwich	5 _____
box	6 _____
bus	7 _____
class	8 _____
dish	9 _____
quiz	10 _____
tomato	11 _____

Singular	Plural: -y + -ies
baby	12 _____
family	13 _____
nationality	14 _____



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Subject pronouns

Singular	Plural
I	we
you	you
he	they
she	
it	

- 1 We always write *I* with a capital letter.**
I'm Holly and I'm a new student.
- 2 We use *you* for the second person singular and plural.**
You are a new student.
You are new students.
- 3 We use *he* for boys and men.**
Mr. Norton is American. He's the English teacher.
- 4 We use *she* for girls and women.**
Emma is Australian. She's my friend.
- 5 We use *it* for animals and things.**
It's a pen.
- 6 With pets we can use *he* or *she*.**
He's my bird, Sammy. She's my parrot, Saba.
- 7 We use *they* for all plural forms.**
They're books.
They're girls.
They're students.

Watch out!

In English, you can't omit subject pronouns.
Mr. Wilson is from Canada. **He's** the principal.
NOT Mr. Wilson is from Canada. ~~Is~~ the principal.

be: Simple present
Affirmative

Affirmative	
Full forms	Short forms
I am	I'm
you are	you're
he is	he's
she is	she's
it is	it's
we are	we're
you are	you're
they are	they're

- 1 We use short forms when we speak and when we write letters and e-mails to friends. We use full forms when we write formal letters or e-mails.**
- 2 We use singular short forms with singular pronouns (*I, you, he, she, and it*).**
I'm Sara. He's American. You're English.
- 3 We only use plural short forms with plural pronouns (*we, you, and they*).**
They're American.
- 4 We use full forms with names.**
Tim and Sue are American.
NOT ~~Tim and Sue're~~ American.

Watch out!

We use the verb **be** to talk about age.
I **am** twelve. He **is** fourteen.
NOT I ~~have~~ twelve. He ~~has~~ fourteen.

Possessive adjectives

Possessive adjectives	
Singular	Plural
my	our
your	your
his	their
her	
its	

1 Possessive adjectives don't change for singular, plural, or gender.

my bird **my** birds
my brothers **my** sisters

2 We use *his* to show that a person or (some) thing belongs to a boy or a man.

His name's Joe. **His** mom is Mary. **His** computer is Japanese.

3 We use *her* to show that a person or (some) thing belongs to a girl or a woman.

Her name's Emma. **Her** dad is Tom. **Her** car is from Canada.

4 We use *its* with animals or things.

That's my horse. **Its** name's Lucky.

5 We can use *his* / *her* for pets.

My hamster is black. **His** name's Blacky.

6 We use *your* with singular and plural nouns.

Hello, Mark. I'm **your** new teacher.
Hello, Mrs. Smith. We're **your** new students.

Articles

The indefinite article: *a* / *an*

1 We use *a* before words that begin with a consonant sound for example, *c*, *s*, *t* etc.

a classroom **a** school **a** teacher

2 We use *an* before words that begin with a vowel sound *a*, *e*, *i*, *o*, *u*.

an academy **an** exercise **an** Italian boy

Watch out!

When **u** is pronounced /ju:/ at the beginning of a word we use **a** not **an**.

a university **a** unit

When **h** is silent at the beginning of a word we use **an** not **a**.

an hour

The definite article: *the*

3 In English, there is only one form of the definite article. It doesn't change for singular, plural, or gender.

the book **the** books
the boy **the** girl

Word list

Countries

Australia _____
Brazil _____
Canada _____
China _____
Colombia _____
Greece _____
Iran _____
Japan _____
Mexico _____
Russia _____
South Africa _____
South Korea _____
Spain _____
the United Kingdom (the U.K.) _____
the United States (the U.S.) _____
Vietnam _____

Nationalities

Australian _____
Brazilian _____
Canadian _____
Chinese _____
Colombian _____
Greek _____
Iranian _____
Japanese _____
Mexican _____
Russian _____
South African _____
South Korean _____
Spanish _____
British _____
American _____
Vietnamese _____

Vocabulary

Countries and nationalities

1 Reorder the letters and write the names of the countries. Then write the correct nationalities.

- | | | |
|-------------|----------------|------------------|
| ZBRLAI | B <u>razil</u> | <u>Brazilian</u> |
| 1 SASIRU | R _____ | _____ |
| 2 CMOXIE | M _____ | _____ |
| 3 NIHAC | C _____ | _____ |
| 4 ECEGRE | G _____ | _____ |
| 5 LUATRAISA | A _____ | _____ |
| 6 MAVTNEI | V _____ | _____ |
| 7 DNCAAA | C _____ | _____ |
| 8 IPSAN | S _____ | _____ |
| 9 LOMCOIBA | C _____ | _____ |
| 10 PAAJN | J _____ | _____ |

Grammar

Subject pronouns

2 Complete the chart with subject pronouns.

Singular	Plural
I	² _____
<u>you</u>	you
he	³ _____
¹ _____	
it	

3 Complete the sentences with subject pronouns.

- My dad's Colombian, but my mom's from Texas. She's American.
- Naruaki and Mei are Japanese. _____ 're from Tokyo.
 - Lisa is my friend. _____ 's thirteen.
 - My sister and I are from South Korea. _____ 're Korean.
 - Mr. Clarke's the music teacher. _____ 's cool.
 - Superbad* is my favorite movie. _____ 's fantastic.
 - _____ 're a new student. What's your name?

be: Simple present Affirmative

4 Choose the correct answers.

- They (re) 'm my friends.
- I 'm / 's thirteen years old.
 - You 're / 's intelligent.
 - He 's / 're a good student.
 - She 's / 're my English teacher.
 - It 's / 're an English book.
 - We 's / 're in 9th grade.
 - You 're / 'm good at soccer.
 - They 's / 're from Japan.

5 Write sentences. Use *am, is, or are*.



Shelly / from San Francisco.
Shelly is from San Francisco.

- I / Russian

- The CD / new

- I / fourteen today

- Adam / a teacher

- You / a new student

- Twilight* and *Twilight: New Moon* / my favorite books

- We / Real Madrid fans

- Osaka / in Japan

6 Rewrite the sentences in exercise 5 that can be contracted.

- Shelly's from San Francisco.
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Possessive adjectives

- 7 Complete the chart with possessive adjectives.

Subject Pronouns	Possessive Adjectives
I	<u>my</u>
you	1 _____
he	2 _____
she	3 _____
it	4 _____
we	5 _____
you	6 _____
they	7 _____

- 8 Complete the sentences with *my, your, his, her, our, or their*.

I'm thirteen, but my friend is fourteen.

- "Hi! _____ name's Paul."
- Pamela is American, but _____ mom is Vietnamese.
- We're in 10th grade. Mrs. Peters is _____ English teacher.
- This is my friend. _____ name's Max.
- "Sally, is this _____ hamster?"
- Jim and Liam are U2 fans. _____ favorite song is *One*.

- 9 Choose the correct answers.

She's my sister. His / Her / Its name's Jade.

- New York City is famous for his / her / its buildings.
- My friend David is Australian but his / her / its mom is Japanese.
- My mom's Spanish. His / Her / Its name's Adriana.
- The boy in the photo is my brother. His / Her / Its name's Tom.
- Greece is in Europe. His / Her / Its capital city is Athens.
- He's Matt. His / Her / Its sister is in my class.

Articles

- 10 Write *a* or *an*.

a student

- | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 _____ woman | 5 _____ e-mail |
| 2 _____ hour | 6 _____ girl |
| 3 _____ American boy | 7 _____ Canadian man |
| 4 _____ university | 8 _____ animal |

Round-up

- 11 Choose the correct answers.

Emma Watson is a / an famous English actress. ¹He's / She's one of ²the / a stars of the Harry Potter movies. She's Hermione Granger in the movies. Julia Roberts and Renée Zellweger ³are / is her favorite actors and *Gladiator* is ⁴their / her favorite movie. Emma is ⁵a / the big music fan and *The Postal Service* is ⁶its / her favorite band. ⁷Her / His favorite Harry Potter book is *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*. Her birthday ⁸is / are April 15th.



- 12 Complete the texts with subject pronouns, possessive adjectives, definite and indefinite articles, and the correct forms of *be*.

Hi, my name's E Ross.

I'm _____ thirteen years old.

I'm ²_____ the U.S. My dad's ³_____ teacher.

⁴_____ name's Steve. My favorite actors ⁵_____

Christian Bale and Angelina Jolie.



Hi, we're Jenny and Lisa.

⁶_____ 're sisters. We're from Perth, Australia but

⁷_____ mom and dad are from Japan. Our favorite

singer ⁸_____ Delta

Goodram. She's ⁹_____ big star in Australia.

¹⁰_____ new CD is fantastic.



Talking about yourself and others

1 Look at the photo of Joe. Complete the sentences.

My name's Joe. I'm
1 _____ years
old. I'm 2 _____
the U.S. I'm
3 _____.



2 Read the star factfiles. Then complete the texts.

☆ star factfile ☆

Name:

Rafa Nadal

Date of birth:

June 3rd, 1986

Nationality:

Spanish



1 His name's Rafa Nadal. He's
1 _____ years old. He's from
2 _____. He's 3 _____.

☆ star factfile ☆

Name:

Ben Affleck & Jennifer Garner

Date of birth:

Ben: August 15th,
1972, Jennifer:
April 17th, 1972

Nationality:

American



2 Their names are 4 _____ and
5 _____ Garner. Ben's
6 _____ years old. Jennifer's
7 _____ years old. They're from
8 _____. They're
9 _____.

3 Read the star factfiles. Then write short texts about these famous people.

☆ star factfile ☆

Name:

Takeshi Kaneshiro

Date of birth:

October 11th, 1973

Nationality:

Chinese



☆ star factfile ☆

Name:

Ricardo (Kaká) and Rodrigo (Digão) Izecson dos Santos Leite

Date of birth:

Ricardo: April
22nd, 1982, Rodrigo:
October 14th, 1985

Nationality:

Brazilian



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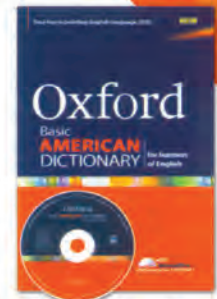
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