

English 101

Lecture (2)

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Introduction:

Uncountable Nouns 1

- Uncountable nouns are substances, concepts etc that we cannot divide into separate elements.
- music, art, love, happiness.
- > advice, information, news.
- > furniture, luggage.
- rice, sugar, butter, water
- > electricity, gas, power
- > money, currency

Uncountable Nouns 2

☐ We usually treat uncountable nouns as singular. We use a singular verb.

For example:

- **➤ This** news **is** very important.
- > Your luggage looks heavy.
- ✓ We do not usually use the indefinite article **a/an** with uncountable nouns. We cannot say "an information" or "a music". But we can say **a something of**:
- > a piece of news.
- **a bottle of water.**
- > a grain of rice.

Uncountable Nouns 3

- ☐ We can use **some** and **any** with uncountable nouns:
- I've got some money.
- Have you got any rice?
- ☐ We can use a little and much with uncountable nouns:
- I've got a little money.
- I haven't got much rice.

Uncountable Nouns 4

☐ Here are some more examples of countable and uncountable nouns:

countable	Uncountable	
dollar	music	
song	electricity	
table	advice	
bottle	travel	
report	money	
job	work	
view	furniture	

Pronouns: personal Pronouns

number	person	gender	Personal subject pronouns
Singular	1 st	Male/ female	I
	$2^{\rm nd}$	Male/ female	You
	3 rd	male	He
		female	She
		neuter	It
Plural	1 st	Male/ female	We
	2 nd	Male/ female	You
	3 rd	Male/ female / neuter	They

Examples:

Personal pronoun	Examples		
	1	I like coffee.	
Subject	You	Do you like coffee.	
	He	He runs fast.	
	She	She is clever.	
	lt	It does not work.	
	We	We went home.	
	You	Do you need a table for three?	
	They	They are plating football.	

Exercise: Complete the following sentences by using the correct pronoun.

- 1) **He** is dreaming. **(George)**
- 2) It is green. (the blackboard)
- 3) They are on the wall. (the posters)
- 4) It is running. (the dog)
- 5) We are watching TV. (my mother and I)
- 6) They are in the garden. (the flowers)
- 7) He is riding his bike. (Tom)
- 8) She is from Bristol. (Victoria)
- 9) **She** has got a brother. **(Diana)**

Verb Be

Present of be: am, is, are

Use the verb be to identify and describe people and things.

Subject	Be	Not	
ı	Am	(Not)	A student
You , They , We	Are	(Not)	Nice
She , He , It	ls	(Not)	From the USA

•You can be used for singular and plural.

You are a student. (singular)

You are students. (plural)

Verb Be Contractions:

- •A contraction makes two words into one word. It has an apostrophe(').
- •There are two negative contractions for: **are not and is not**

		contractions				
Subject	Be	(not)	subject + be	(not)	subject	BE + NOT
I	Am		l'm			
You We They	Are		You're We're They're		You We They	aren't
She He It	Is		He's She's It's		He She It	isn't

Exercise:

Fill in the blanks with the right form of to be (am, are, is):

- 1. <u>are</u> you the new student?
- 2. Yes, I.<u>am</u>
- 3. Leila and Nancy are students.
- 4. Nancy is Australian.
- 5. My sister and I are students.
- 6. The girls are tired.
- 7. These women are beautiful.
- 8. The tea is delicious.
- 9. Nadia and Leila are friends.
- 10. The newspaper is cheap.