

AMERICAN EMPOWER

WORKBOOK
WITH ANSWERS

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1A

I'M FROM MEXICO



1 GRAMMAR *be: I / you / we*

a Underline the correct words.

- How are you / you are?
- I'm / I're fine, thanks.
- You not are / You're not in London.
- We're / We'm from Brazil.
- Where am I / I am?
- A** Are you OK?
B No, I not am / I'm not.
- A** Are you a student?
B Yes, I am / I'm.
- A** Are you from China?
B No, we's not / we're not.

b Put the words in the correct order to make sentences and questions.

- student / a / I'm .
I'm a student.
- teachers / not / We're .

- from / I'm / not / Ecuador .

- OK / Are / you ?

- you / are / How ?

- U.S. / the / we / in / Are ?

2 VOCABULARY Countries

a Find seven countries in the word snake.



b Complete the sentences with the country names. Use the letters in parentheses.

- Rio de Janeiro is in Brazil. (r a b i l z)
- Rome and Bologna are in _____. (t i l y a)
- Tokyo is in _____. (n a j a p)
- Quito and Guayaquil are in _____. (r a u e d c o)
- Bogotá is in _____. (a l o m c o i b)
- New York is in _____. (s h u t e)
- Barcelona is in _____. (n i s p a)
- Beijing and Shanghai are in _____. (h a n i c)

3 PRONUNCIATION *I'm, we're*

a **01.01** Listen to the conversation. Complete the sentences.

- Hi. _____ Horacio. What are your names?
- Hi. _____ Carmen.
- And _____ Camila.
- Nice to meet you. Are you from the U.S.?
- No, _____ from Spain. _____ Spanish.

1B

HE'S ECUADORIAN

1 GRAMMAR *be: he / she / they*

a Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

is she they're not he's not ~~are they~~ are is they are

- 1 Where are they from?
- 2 **A** Are they Chinese?
B Yes, _____.
- 3 **A** _____ they Italian?
B No, _____. They're Spanish.
- 4 **A** _____ from Australia?
B Yes, she _____.
- 5 **A** Is he Mexican?
B No, _____.

b Complete the conversations with *is*, *'s not*, *'s*, *are*, *'re not*, or *'re*.

Conversation 1

- A** This ¹ is my friend Francisca.
B Where ² _____ she from? ³ _____ she Brazilian?
A No, she ⁴ _____. She ⁵ _____ from Colombia.

Conversation 2

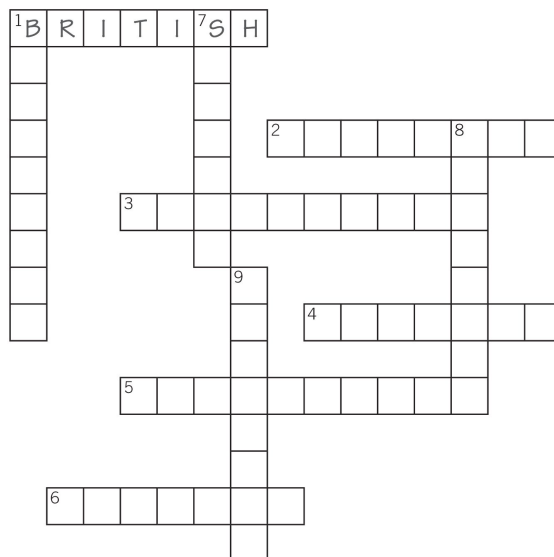
- A** Who ⁶ _____ Javier and Guillermo?
⁷ _____ they baseball players?
B No, they ⁸ _____. They ⁹ _____ soccer players.
A ¹⁰ _____ they American?
B No, they ¹¹ _____. They ¹² _____ Mexican.



c **01.02** Listen and check.

2 VOCABULARY Nationalities

a Complete the crossword puzzle.



→ Across

- 1 You're from the U.K. You're British.
- 2 She's from the U.S. She's _____.
- 3 He's from Australia. He's _____.
- 4 We're from Italy. We're _____.
- 5 You're from Ecuador. You're _____.
- 6 I'm from China. I'm _____.

↓ Down

- 1 He's from Brazil. He's _____.
- 7 They're from Spain. They're _____.
- 8 You're from Canada. You're _____.
- 9 We're from Japan. We're _____.

3 PRONUNCIATION Syllables

a **01.03** Listen to the words in the box. Complete the chart.

British Colombian Chinese Italian Brazilian
 Canadian Japanese Spanish American Mexican

2 syllables	3 syllables	4 syllables
British		



1 USEFUL LANGUAGE

Meeting and greeting new people

- a Underline the correct words to complete the conversations.

Conversation 1 (9 a.m.)

SELENA Good ¹morning / evening! How are you today?

AYLA I'm not ²bad / fine, thanks. And ³you / are you?

SELENA I'm ⁴nice / OK, thanks.

Conversation 2 (3 p.m.)

HOLLY Good ⁵afternoon / evening, Dean.

DEAN Hi, Holly. ⁶She / This is my friend Natasha.

HOLLY Hi, Natasha. How ⁷you are / are you?

NATASHA I'm good, ⁸thank / thanks you.

Nice ⁹to meet / meet you.

- b **01.04** Listen and check.

- c Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

and ~~good~~ hello I'm is my
nice thank thanks too

CARLA ¹ Good afternoon. ² _____
name's Carla Ortega.

JAMES Hello. ³ _____ James Hargreaves.

CARLA ⁴ _____ to meet you, James.

JAMES Nice to meet you, ⁵ _____.

CARLA Oh, Aman! This ⁶ _____ James Hargreaves
from Blue Web Technology.

AMAN ⁷ _____, James! How are you?

JAMES I'm fine, ⁸ _____ you. ⁹ _____ you?

AMAN I'm good, ¹⁰ _____.

- d **01.05** Listen and check.

2 PRONUNCIATION Stressed words

- a **01.06** Listen to the sentences. Which words are stressed? Check (✓) the correct box.

1 a ☒ How are you?

b ☐ How are you?

2 a ☐ I'm fine, thanks.

b ☐ I'm fine, thanks.

3 a ☐ So, this is your office.

b ☐ So, this is your office.

4 a ☐ Good morning!

b ☐ Good morning!

5 a ☐ I'm Andy and this is Ernesto.

b ☐ I'm Andy and this is Ernesto.

6 a ☐ Nice to meet you.

b ☐ Nice to meet you.



1 READING

a Read the personal profile and check (✓) the correct ending for the sentences.

- 1 Kurt is from
a ☒ Germany
b ☐ the U.S.
- 2 He's a student in
a ☐ the U.S.
b ☐ Germany
- 3 His teacher's
a ☐ American
b ☐ not American
- 4 His friends
a ☐ are from Germany
b ☐ aren't from Germany
- 5 Lia is
a ☐ Japanese
b ☐ Chinese
- 6 Tamara is from
a ☐ Spain
b ☐ the U.S.

Me and my friends

Hi. My name's Kurt Adler. I'm from Hamburg, in Germany. I'm a student in New York, in the U.S. My teacher is from Florida, in the U.S. My friends aren't from Germany or the U.S. Lia is from China, and Tamara is from Spain. Ana and Lucas are from Brazil.



2 WRITING SKILLS

Capital letters and periods

a Underline the correct words.

Hello. ¹*my* / *My* name's ²*alfonso* / *Alfonso*. I'm ³*Italian*. / *Italian*
My ⁴*Friends* / *friends* are Nacho and ⁵*Emma*. / *Emma*
⁶*They're* / *they're* very nice. Nacho is from ⁷*Spain* / *spain* and
⁸*Emma*. / *Emma* is ⁹*American*. / *American*

b Correct the sentences.

- 1 He's a student He's in your class.
He's a student. He's in your class.
- 2 This is diana

- 3 My teacher is canadian.

- 4 their apartment is in new orleans.

- 5 I'm from mexico.

- 6 We're American We're from Seattle.

3 WRITING

a Write a profile for you. Use Alfonso's profile to help you.

Hi! My name's _____

[illegible]

UNIT 1

Reading and listening extension

1 READING

a Read the email and match a–d to the parts of the email 1–4.

- a ☐ saying goodbye
- b ☐ Mark's new job
- c ☐ greeting
- d ☐ people in Mark's office

b Read the email again. Are the sentences true or false?

- 1 Trevor is in the U.S.
- 2 Mark is in Augusta, Maine.
- 3 Antonio is American.
- 4 Antonio and Cassidy are married.
- 5 Cassidy is a teacher.
- 6 Martin is from the U.S.
- 7 Yoko is from Japan.
- 8 Yoko is at home in the afternoon.

c Write an email to a friend about your new English class. Remember to say:

- where your class is
- who your teacher is and where he or she is from
- who the students are and where they are from.

Reply
Forward

1 Hi Trevor,

How are you? How is Australia?

2 I'm great! My new job in Maine is good. The office is downtown in Augusta. Augusta is a great city! 😊

3 I'm in an office with three people – Antonio, Martin, and Yoko. Our office manager is Antonio. He's not American. He's from a small town in Mexico, but he's married to an American woman. Her name's Cassidy, and she's a teacher at a high school. Martin is British. He's from London, but his home is Augusta now. Yoko is Japanese. She's from Osaka. She's in the office from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., and she's a student at an English school in the afternoon.

4 Say hello to your family for me!

Bye for now,

Mark





2 LISTENING

a **01.07** Listen to the conversation. Check (✓) the countries you hear.

Brazil	<input type="checkbox"/>	Italy	<input type="checkbox"/>
China	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ecuador	<input type="checkbox"/>
England	<input type="checkbox"/>	Colombia	<input type="checkbox"/>
Japan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spain	<input type="checkbox"/>

b **01.07** Listen again and underline the correct words.

- It is morning / evening.
- Annie and Ben are at home / at work.
- Annie / Ben is a new teacher.
- Seattle is a city in Washington / New York.
- Annie is from Seattle / New York.
- Ben's class is 1A / 1B.
- Daniela is an Italian / Ecuadorian student.
- Simona and Gianna are Spanish / Italian.

c Complete the conversation with your own ideas.

- A Good morning.
 B Hi. Are you new?
 A Yes, I am. My name's _____.
 B It's nice to meet you. I'm _____.
 A Nice to meet you, too.
 B Where are you from?
 A _____, in _____.
 B Really? _____'s a nice city.

Review

1 GRAMMAR

Correct the mistakes.

- Cara aren't Chinese. She's American.
~~Cara isn't Chinese. She's American.~~
- A Where you are?
 B I'm in Barcelona.
- I not am a student. I'm a teacher.
- A And who this is?
 B This is Anton.
- These are my friends. They Ecuadorian.
- What your name?
- We not Italian. We're Mexican.
- Where Sue is from?

2 VOCABULARY

Check (✓) the sentences that are correct. Correct the mistakes.

- ☐ They're from U.K.
~~They're from the U.K.~~
- ☐ She's Mexican.
- ☐ He's from the Canada.
- ☐ She's from the U.S.
- ☐ We're Brasilian.
- ☐ Are you Spanish?
- ☐ I'm Japanese.
- ☐ He's from Australia.



REVIEW YOUR PROGRESS

Look again at Review Your Progress on p. 14 of the Student's Book. How well can you do these things now?

3 = very well 2 = well 1 = not so well

I CAN ...

say my name and country	<input type="checkbox"/>
talk about people I know	<input type="checkbox"/>
meet and greet new people.	<input type="checkbox"/>