

What is the German Verb 'sein' in Present Tense?

Worksheet

The German verb 'sein' (to be) in present tense conjugates irregularly: ich bin (I am), du bist (you are), er/sie/es ist (he/she/it is), wir sind (we are), ihr seid (you are plural), sie sind (they are).

Questions

1. Conjugate 'sein' for 'ich': 'Ich ____ Student.'
A) bist
B) sind
C) bin
D) seid
2. What is the 'wir' (we) form of 'sein'?
A) bin
B) bist
C) sind
D) seid
3. Conjugate 'sein' for 'ihr' (you plural): 'Ihr ____ groß.'
A) bist
B) sind
C) bin
D) seid
4. Which conjugation matches 'er', 'sie', and 'es'?
A) bin
B) bist
C) ist
D) sind
5. Conjugate 'sein' for 'ich': 'Ich ____ Lehrer' (I am a teacher).
6. Complete: 'Wir ____ Freunde' (We are friends).
7. Fill in: 'Ihr ____ jung' (You plural are young).
8. Define: What does 'sein' mean?
9. Define: Conjugate 'sein' for 'ich' (I).
10. Define: What is the 'du' (you) form of 'sein'?

Answer Key

1. C) bin — First-person singular of 'sein' is 'ich bin'.
2. C) sind — First-person plural: 'wir sind'.
3. D) seid — Second-person plural of 'sein' is 'ihr seid'.
4. C) ist — Third-person singular for all three pronouns: 'ist'.
5. First-person singular nominative requires the 'ich' form of 'sein'. The conjugation for 'ich' is 'bin'.
Answer: Ich bin Lehrer.
6. First-person plural nominative requires the 'wir' form of 'sein'. The conjugation for 'wir' is 'sind'.
Answer: Wir sind Freunde.
7. Second-person plural nominative requires the 'ihr' form of 'sein'. The conjugation for 'ihr' is 'seid'.
Answer: Ihr seid jung.
8. 'Sein' means 'to be'. It describes states, identities, and locations.
9. Ich bin.
10. Du bist.

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