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WORD ORDER

≈ 27 MIN

# There Is and There Are — *practice on paper*

You have built the lesson — now lock the rule in, brick by brick. New examples, same rule: the noun after the verb decides.

The noun after the verb chooses the form: **there is** + singular or uncountable · **there are** + plural

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BRICK 1 · SORT BY THE FOLLOWING NOUN · APPROX. 4 MIN

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Read each phrase quietly. Singular or uncountable → write it with **there is** in the left column. Plural → write it with **there are** in the right column. Careful: "some" can come before both — the noun after it decides!

a free parking space behind the office

two new colleagues this month

some information about the project

three emails from the client

a quiet room for phone calls

many deadlines this week

some fresh water in the fridge

four free seats in the meeting

an open position in our team

six people on the call

THERE IS + SINGULAR / UNCOUNTABLE

THERE ARE + PLURAL

BRICK 2 · FILL IN THE RIGHT FORM · APPROX. 6 MIN

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Fill in **there is**, **there are**, **is there**, **are there**, **there isn't** or **there aren't**. Look at the noun right after the gap — and at the question mark for questions.

01 \_\_\_\_\_ a staff meeting at ten o'clock today.

02 \_\_\_\_\_ some good news in the monthly report.

03 \_\_\_\_\_ five new laptops in the IT room.

04 \_\_\_\_\_ any sugar for the tea in the kitchen?

05 \_\_\_\_\_ any visitors in the lobby right now?

06 I'm sorry, but \_\_\_\_\_ any free places left on the course.

07 The printer is empty — \_\_\_\_\_ any paper left.

08 "Is there a bank near our office?" — "Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ ."

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## BRICK 3 · FIND AND CORRECT THE MISTAKE · APPROX. 7 MIN



Each sentence hides exactly one mistake with **there is/there are**. Underline it and write the whole sentence correctly.

01 There is three new emails in your inbox.

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02 Are there a canteen in this building?

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03 It is a new colleague in our team today.

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04 "Are there any questions?" — "No, there isn't."

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05 There are some money for the team lunch.

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06 There are any tickets left for the workshop?

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## BRICK 4 · WRITE YOUR OWN SENTENCES · APPROX. 8 MIN



Write one sentence for each prompt. For every form, check the noun right after **there is/there are**.

01 Your office: "In my office there is a ..." — one thing that is always there.

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02 Your team: "There are ... people in my team." — how many are you?

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03 The office kitchen: "There is some ..., but there isn't any ..."

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04 A question before the meeting: "Is there any ...?" — ask for something you need.

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## MINI-CHECK — CAN I DO THIS YET?

- ☐ I look at the noun after "there" and then choose is or are.
- ☐ I use "there is" before singular and uncountable nouns: "There is some information."
- ☐ I form questions with "is there" / "are there" and short answers with "Yes, there is." / "No, there aren't."
- ☐ I avoid the German trap: with a plural I say "There are three calls this afternoon.", not "There is ..."

*Not every box ticked? Build the lesson once more and try this sheet again tomorrow.*



# Answer key

Check only when you have finished. Every answer comes with the **why** — the rule matters more than the result.

## BRICK 1 · SORTING

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| <p>01 <b>there is</b> a free parking space behind the office<br/><i>"A free parking space" is singular.</i></p> <p>02 <b>there are</b> two new colleagues this month<br/><i>"Two new colleagues" is plural.</i></p> <p>03 <b>there is</b> some information about the project<br/><i>"Information" is uncountable — treated like a singular.</i></p> <p>04 <b>there are</b> three emails from the client<br/><i>"Emails" is plural.</i></p> <p>05 <b>there is</b> a quiet room for phone calls<br/><i>"A quiet room" is singular — the "calls" at the end do not count.</i></p> | <p>06 <b>there are</b> many deadlines this week<br/><i>"Many" comes before a plural noun.</i></p> <p>07 <b>there is</b> some fresh water in the fridge<br/><i>"Water" is uncountable.</i></p> <p>08 <b>there are</b> four free seats in the meeting<br/><i>"Four free seats" is plural.</i></p> <p>09 <b>there is</b> an open position in our team<br/><i>"An open position" is singular.</i></p> <p>10 <b>there are</b> six people on the call<br/><i>"People" is plural.</i></p> |
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## BRICK 2 · FILL-IN

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| <p>01 <b>There is</b> a staff meeting<br/><i>"A staff meeting" is singular.</i></p> <p>02 <b>There is</b> some good news<br/><i>"News" is uncountable — singular form.</i></p> <p>03 <b>There are</b> five new laptops<br/><i>"Five new laptops" is plural.</i></p> <p>04 <b>Is there</b> any sugar ...?<br/><i>Question with uncountable "sugar" → is there.</i></p> | <p>05 <b>Are there</b> any visitors ...?<br/><i>Question with a plural → are there.</i></p> <p>06 ... <b>there aren't</b> any free places left<br/><i>Negative with a plural → there aren't.</i></p> <p>07 ... <b>there isn't</b> any paper left<br/><i>"Paper" is uncountable here → there isn't.</i></p> <p>08 Yes, <b>there is</b>.<br/><i>The short answer echoes "there" and the verb from the question.</i></p> |
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## BRICK 3 · CORRECT

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| <p>01 There <b>are</b> three new emails in your inbox.<br/><i>"Three new emails" is plural — German "es gibt" stays the same, the English verb does not.</i></p> <p>02 <b>Is</b> there a canteen in this building?<br/><i>"A canteen" is singular — the question keeps is.</i></p> <p>03 <b>There</b> is a new colleague in our team today.<br/><i>You are introducing something new → there; "it" only describes something already known.</i></p> | <p>04 "Are there any questions?" — "No, there <b>aren't</b>."<br/><i>The short answer echoes the verb from the question: are → aren't.</i></p> <p>05 There <b>is</b> some money for the team lunch.<br/><i>"Money" is uncountable and takes is.</i></p> <p>06 <b>Are there</b> any tickets left for the workshop?<br/><i>In a question, the verb moves before "there".</i></p> |
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## BRICK 4 · WRITE

Your sentences may differ — just check that the form matches the noun after it: is for singular and uncountable, are for plural.

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| <p>01 "In my office <b>there is</b> a second screen."<br/><i>"A second screen" is singular → there is.</i></p> <p>02 "<b>There are</b> six people in my team."<br/><i>"Six people" is plural → there are.</i></p> | <p>03 "<b>There is</b> some tea, but <b>there isn't</b> any juice."<br/><i>Uncountable → is; negated → isn't.</i></p> <p>04 "<b>Is there</b> any time for my question after the call?"<br/><i>Question with uncountable "time" → is there.</i></p> |
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