

Beginner 1 | Lesson 1 | Be Verb

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Two teachers introduce themselves and talk about their families.

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Todd: _____ from the U.S. I _____ San Francisco. It's on the west coast.

Aimee: And what _____ do?

Todd: I'm an English teacher. Also, I create ello, so I work on ello a lot.

Aimee: Okay. How _____ you?

Todd: I am 47. Yeah, I am old.

Aimee: No. That's not old. Who _____ best friend?

Todd: My best friend is Don. _____ a teacher, too. He lives in America.

Aimee: And _____ married?

Todd: No, I _____ married. I _____ single.

Aimee: Where is your mum from?

Todd: My mom is from California. _____ from Los Angeles.

Aimee: And what does she do?

Todd: She is a manager. She works in a clothing store.

Aimee: Where is your dad from?

Todd: My dad _____ San Francisco. He is not from Los Angeles, but he met my mother in Los Angeles.

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Todd: He is _____ manager. He works for a tree cutting company. They cut trees.

Aimee: Wow. That sounds exciting.

Todd: Yeah, cool job.

Aimee: Is it dangerous?

Todd: It is a little dangerous. A little. And Aimee, what about you? Where are you from?

Aimee: I'm from Glasgow, on the west coast of Scotland in the United Kingdom.



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Aimee: Of course, you can ask. I'm 34.

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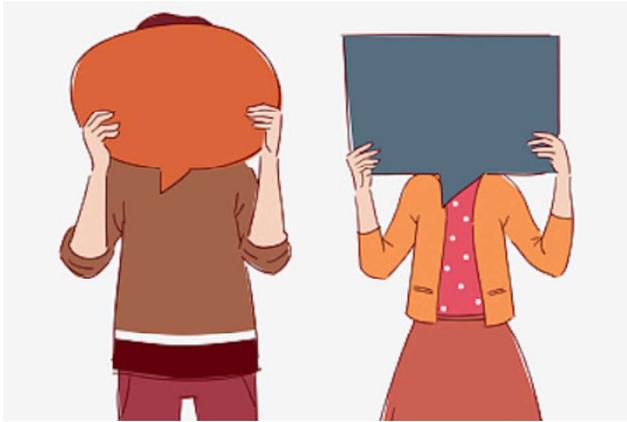
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