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## there is/there are

	Singular	Plural
+	There's ... (There is)	There are ...
-	There isn't ... (There is not)	There aren't ... (There are not)
?	Is there ... ? Where is there ... ?	Are there ... ? How many ... are there?
	Yes, there is.	Yes, there are.
	No, there isn't.	No, there aren't.

We use *there is* (+ a singular noun) and *there are* (+ a plural noun) to talk about people or things for the first time. We often use them to describe places.

Use *there's*, *there isn't* and *there aren't* when you speak.

**There's** a huge forest in the west.

Use *There's*, not *There are*, to introduce a list of singular objects.

**There's** a swimming pool, a lake and a restaurant at the holiday village.

## have got

	I/We/You/They	He/She/It
+	've got (have got)	's got (has got)
-	haven't got (have not got)	hasn't got (has not got)
?	Have ... got?	Has ... got?
	Yes, we have.	Yes, it has.
	No, I haven't.	No, she hasn't.

We usually use the contracted forms: *'s got*, *'ve got*, *hasn't got*, *haven't got*.

There are no contracted forms for questions.

**Have you got** a DVD player?

We often use short answers when we answer *have got* questions.

A: *Have you got* a television?

B: *Yes, I have./No, I haven't.*

We use *have got* to talk about our possessions and family/friends. Don't use *have got* in very formal English.

**I've got** two sisters.

**They've got** a sports car.

## Modifiers

The words (*not*) *very*, *quite* and *really* are modifiers. We put them in front of an adjective to make it stronger or weaker.

We use *very* and *really* to make the adjective stronger.

*This car is **very/really** expensive!*

We use *quite* or *not very* to make the adjective weaker.

*This car is **quite** expensive.*

*This car **isn't very** expensive.*

## Key vocabulary

### Adjectives and places

a hot, dry desert  
a busy, noisy city  
a long, wide river  
a beautiful lake  
a high mountain  
a low hill  
a lovely beach  
a green forest  
a popular island

### Landscapes

bay beach city desert forest hill island  
lake mountain river sea

### Types of home

apartment detached house studio  
terraced house villa windmill

### Rooms and parts of a house

attic bathroom bedroom cellar  
dining room garage garden kitchen  
library living room roof shower room  
study window

### Features of a house

air conditioning central heating  
double glazing patio solar panels terrace

### Furniture

bed bookshelves chair coffee table  
cupboard desk dining chairs/table sofa  
table

### Equipment and possessions

CD player coffee machine cooker  
dishwasher DVD recorder fridge lamp  
laptop computer microwave mobile phone  
MP3 player music system plant sink TV  
vacuum cleaner washing machine



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