Tag Questions: To Be in the Present

FORM:

I am..., aren't I? You are..., aren't you? She is..., isn't she? He is..., isn't he? It is..., isn't it? We are..., aren't we? You are..., aren't you? They are..., aren't they?

I am not..., am I? You are not..., are you? She is not..., is she? He is not..., is he? It is not..., is it? We are not..., are we? You are not..., are you?

They are not..., are they?

NOTE: Use contractions or full forms according to the usual use guidelines.

USE:

The "tag question" form is used to confirm something that you think is true. It is also used to check that another person agrees with you. In informal English, Canadians often use "eh?" as a tag; Americans often use "huh?"

NOTE: There is... isn't there? and **There are...aren't there?** are both common structures when used with "to be".

EXAMPLES:

Shopping is fun, isn't it?

You <u>aren't free this afternoon</u>, <u>are you</u>?

Fill in the blanks with the correct QUESTION TAG.

Swimming is good exercise, _____? That isn't very funny, ? 6. 2. That gift is not very expensive, _____? 7. These statistics are included, _____? 3. Leaving at six o'clock is routine, _____? 8. Those papers aren't important, ? That is George over there, _____? 4. These employees are new, _____? 9. Those boxes are upstairs, _____? 5. 10. Exercising regularly is good for you,