Ceacht a Sé — An Briathar “bí” —
Lesson Six — The Verb “be” —

1.	**Bí** cúramach.	**Be** careful.
	Bígí cúramach.	[Y’all] **be** careful.
2.	**Bhí** mé sa bhaile.	I **was** at home.
	An raibh tú sa bhaile?	**Were** you at home?
	Bhí / Ní raibh	Yes / No
	Nach raibh sé sa bhaile?	**Wasn’t** he at home?
	Ní raibh sí sa bhaile.	She **wasn’t** at home.
	Bhíomar sa bhaile.	**We were** at home.
	An raibh sibh sa bhaile?	**Were** y’all at home.
	Bhí siad sa bhaile.	They **were** at home.
	Cá raibh tú?	**Where were** you?
3.	**Bím** sa bhaile ar maidin.	**I am buying** at home in the morning.
	An **mbíonn** tú sa bhaile ar maidin?	**Are** you at home in the morning.
	Bím / Bíonn	Yes
	Ní bhím / Ní bhíonn	No
	Nach mbíonn sé sa bhaile ar maidin?	**Isn’t** he at home in the morning?
	Ní bhíonn sí sa bhaile ar maidin.	She **isn’t** at home in the morning.
	Bímid sa bhaile ar maidin.	**We are** at home in the morning.
	An mbíonn sibh sa bhaile ar maidin?	**Are** y’all at home in the morning.
	Bíonn siad sa bhaile ar maidin.	They **are** at home in the morning.
	Cá mbíonn tú ar maidin?	**Where are** you in the morning?
4.	**Beidh** mé sa bhaile ar maidin.	I **will be** at home in the morning.
	An **mbeidh** tú sa bhaile ar maidin?	**Will** you **be** at home in the morning.
	Beidh / Ní bheidh	Yes / No
	Nach mbeidh sé sa bhaile ar maidin.	**Won’t** he **be** at home in the morning?
	Ní bheidh sí sa bhaile ar maidin.	She **won’t be** at home in the morning.
	Beidh muid sa bhaile ar maidin.	We **will be** at home in the morning.
	An mbeidh sibh sa bhaile ar maidin?	**Will** y’all **be** at home in the morning.
	Beidh siad sa bhaile ar maidin.	They **will be** at home in the morning.
	Cá mbeidh tú ar maidin ar maidin?	**Where will** you **be** in the morning?
5.	**Bheinn** sa bhaile.	**I would be** at home.
	An mbeifeá sa bhaile?	**Would you be** at home.
	Bheinn / Ní bheinn	Yes / No
	Nach mbeadh sé sa bhaile?	**Wouldn’t** he **be** at home?
	Ní bheadh sí sa bhaile.	She **wouldn’t be** at home.
	Bheimis sa bhaile.	**We would be** at home.
	An mbeadh sibh sa bhaile?	**Would you be** at home.
	Bheidís sa bhaile.	They **would be** at home.
	Cá mbeifeá, murach mise?	**Where would you be**, were it not for me?
6.	Ar mhaith leat **bheith** i do rí?	Would you like **to be** a king?

Comhrá	Conversation
A: **An raibh** tú in Éirinn riabh?	**Were** you ever in Ireland?
B: **Ní raibh**. **An raibh** tusa ann?	No (**wasn't**). **Were** you there.
A: **Bhí**. Bhí mé ann anuraidh.	Yes (**was**). I **was** there last year.
B: **An mbíonn** tú ann go minic?	**Are** you there often?
A: **Bíonn**. **Bím** ann minic go leor.	Yes (**be**). **I'm** there quite often.
B: **An mbeidh** tú ag dul ann i mbliana?	Will you be there this year?
A: **Ní bheidh** i mbliana.	Not (**won't be**) this year.
Beidh mé ann an bhliain seo chugainn.	I **will** be there next year.
B: Ba bhreá liomsa **a bheith** ann.	I would love **to be** there?
A: **An mbeifeá** sásta dul ann liomsa?	**Would you be** happy to go there with me?
B: **Bheinn** lán-sásta dul leat.	**I would be** very happy to go with you.

Ceisteanna	Questions
1. **An raibh** tú in Éirinn riamh?	**Were** you ever in Ireland?
2. **An raibh** tú i dtír eile riamh?	**Were** you ever in another country?
3. **An mbíonn** tú ar an trá go minic?	**Are** you often at the beach?
4. **An mbíonn** tú amuigh ag siúl go minic?	**Are** you often out walking?
5. **An mbeidh** tú in Éirinn i mbliana?	**Will** you **be** in Ireland this year?
6. An fearr leat **a bheith** ag siúl nó ag rith?	Do you prefer (**to be**) walking or running?
7. **An mbeifeá** sásta codladh i bpuball?	**Would you be** happy to sleep in a tent?
8. **Cá raibh** tú ar an deireadh seachtaine?	**Where were** you on the weekend?
9. **Cá mbíonn** tú ag am lóin?	**Where are** you at lunch time?
10. **Cá mbeidh** tú sa samhradh?	**Where will** you be in the summer?

	<u>Dúnmharú ar an Dart 2</u> **le Ruaidhraí Ó Báille**	**<u>Murder on the Dart 2</u>** **by Ruadhraí Ó Báille**
1.	Sna seanlaethanta bhí sé ábalta scread amháin a thabhairt uaidh, agus bhí ciúnas iomlán sa rang,	In the old days, he was able to scream one time, and there was complete quiet in the class,
2.	ach inné thosaigh Billy 'Bréan' Ó Ruairc ag caitheamh coinfeití ar Mháire Ní Mhurchú agus Tomás De Bhál.	but yesterday, 'Stinky' Billy O'Roark began throwing confetti on Mary Murphy and Tom Wall.
3.	Nuair a dúirt Niall leis suí síos, d'fhéach an buachaill air le gáire salach ar a aghaidh agus dúirt sé	When Niall told him to sit down, the boy looked at him with a foul smile on his face and said
4.	"Téigh abhaile a Mháistir. Tá tú róshean. Téigh abhaile agus faigh bás!"	"Go home, Master. You're too old. Go home and die!"
5.	Róshean ag 42 (daichead a dó)!	Too old at forty two!
6.	Tháinig cuma dhorcha ar aghaidh Niall.	Niall's face darkened.
7.	Bhí Billy 'Bréan' Ó Ruairc tar éis scamall a chur ar an áthas a bhí air ag teacht amach ón scoil.	"Smelly" Billy O'Roark had just put a cloud over the happiness he had coming out from the school.
8.	Bhí sé tuirseach den obair seo.	He was tired of this work.
9.	Ba leathamadán é Ó Ruairc.	O'Roark was a half-wit.
10.	Bhí sé a seacht déag ar a laghad agus fós ní raibh an Teastas Sóisearach déanta aige.	He was at least seventeen and still hadn't done his Junior Leaving Certificate.
11.	Bhí sé fós ar scoil mar nach raibh aon áit eile le dul aige.	He was still at school because he didn't have any other place to go.
12.	Ach má ba leathamadán féin é, bhí an ceart aige an uair seo.	But event if he was a half-wit, he was right this time.
13.	Post do dhuine óg é post an mhúinteora.	A teacher's job is a job for a young person.
14.	Chaith Niall an lá ar fad ag léamh an pháipéir agus ag féachaint ar an teilifís.	Niall spent the whole day reading the paper and looking at the television.
15.	Bhí an scamall imithe anois agus bhí sé breá sásta leis féin arís.	The cloud was gone now and he was pleased with himself again.
16.	Ag a trí a chlog, chuala sé an teileafón ag bualadh.	At three o'clock, he heard the telephone ringing.
17.	"A Mháire, freagair é sin."	"Mary, answer that."
18.	"Freagair tú féin é!"	"Answer it yourself!"
19.	'Biggles' a bhí ann.	It was 'Biggles'.