Spanish Verb Conjugation To Be, Or Not To Be, That Is The Question?

Learning Spanish verb conjugation is difficult enough without having to deal with choice, but that is the problem all students face when they encounter the two Spanish verbs meaning to be, ser and estar.

It is bad enough that both these verbs are irregular and therefore have to be learned individually and it is also a pain that there is no escaping them either as they are two of the most regularly used verbs in the Spanish language but to have to learn when and when not to use either...or, just isn't fair!

Have a look at Conjugate ser and estar

Unfortunately, fairness does not come into it when it comes to learning Spanish and the fact that both ser and estar are two of the first verbs a student will learn should be looked at as beneficial rather than as a hindrance, as the more you use them the easier it will become, practice makes perfect they say.

I am not going to spend too much time writing about the conjugation of these two verbs other than to cover the present tense of each which is detailed below: Have a look at <u>Estar and ser conjugations</u>

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Ser (to be)

soy - I am
eres - you are
es - he, she or it is (and also the polite form of you are, but that's another story!)
somos - we are
sois - you (all) are (plural)
son - they are (and you all are polite)
Estar (to be)

estar - I am
estás - you are
está - he, she or it is (you are, polite)
estamos - we are
estáis - you all are
están - they are (you all are, polite)
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