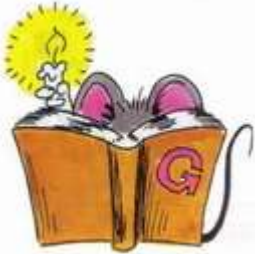


Present Simple (1)

Form



Afirmative

I walk
You walk
He walks
She walks
It walks
We walk
You walk
They walk

Negative

I **don't** walk
You **don't** walk
He **doesn't** walk
She **doesn't** walk
It **doesn't** walk
We **don't** walk
You **don't** walk
They **don't** walk

Interrogative

Do I walk?
Do you walk?
Does he walk?
Does she walk?
Does it walk?
Do we walk?
Do you walk?
Do they walk?

Short answers

Affirmative

Yes, I / you / we / they **do**
Yes, he / she / it **does**

Negative

No, I / you / we / they **don't**
No, he / she / it **doesn't**

Third person singular

We add **-s** to the verb to form the third person singular (**he, she, it**).

I drink - he drinks

I run - he runs

BUT

- We add **-es** to verbs that end in **-ss, -sh, -ch, -x, -o**.

I watch - he watches

- With verbs ending in **consonant + y**, we change the **-y** to **-ies**.

I cry - he cries

But with verbs ending in **vowel + y**, we just add **-s** as usual.

I play - he plays

Use

We use the **Present Simple**:

- for **habits** and actions that we do regularly:
He **visits** his friends every Sunday.
She **goes** to school by bus.
- for **general truths**:
The sun **rises** in the East.
- for **permanent situations**:
He **lives** in Athens.

Expressions used with the Present Simple

Frequency adverbs: always, usually, often, sometimes, rarely, never
(they are placed before the main verb)

Time expressions: every day / week / Friday...
on Mondays / Sundays...
at the weekend...
in the morning / afternoon...
in winter / spring...
once a day / week...



A. Write the third person singular of the following verbs.

play plays

go goes

wash washes

teach teaches

drive drives

carry carries

fly flies

start starts

help helps

kiss kisses

watch watches

tidy tidies

like likes

enjoy enjoys

cry cries

mix mixes



B. Complete the sentences with the Present Simple of the verbs in brackets.

1. Peter and his friends go to school by bus. (go)

2. Elephants eat leaves and grass. (eat)

3. David's father works in a hospital. (work)

4. The bank opens at 9.30 and closes at 4.30. (close)

5. Tom and Jim play football every day after school. (play)

6. Mr Jones is a teacher. He teaches History. (teach)

7. Our lessons start at 9.00 and finish at 3.30. (start / finish)

8. My pen friend lives in Japan. (live)

9. Mary and her brother watch cartoons every Sunday morning. (watch)

10. John tidies his room every day. (tidy)

C. Complete the blanks with the Present Simple of the verbs in the box.

go ~~work~~ ride deliver love jog rest fish walk

Mr Letty is a postman. He doesn't work in the post office. He always *works* outside in the streets.

He delivers letters to all the people in the neighbourhood every day. He doesn't walk but he rides his motorbike.

At the weekend, Mr Letty doesn't work.

He jogs. He loves the countryside, so he always goes to his country house with his wife. Mr and Mrs Letty fish in the river and they rest in the woods every weekend.



D. Look at the pictures and write questions and answers, as in the example.

1. play / the guitar / in the afternoon

Does he play the guitar in the afternoon?

No he doesn't play the guitar in the afternoon.

He plays the accordion.



2. walk / after lunch

Does it walk after lunch?

No, it doesn't walk after lunch.

It takes a nap after lunch.



3. ride / their / bicycles / to work / every day

Do they ride their bicycles to work every day?

No, they don't ride their bicycles.

They run after bus every day.



4. listen / to the radio / every Sunday

Does she listen to the radio every Sunday?

No, she doesn't listen to the radio.

She goes to the cinema every Sunday.



5. clean / the house / on Mondays

Does he clean the house on Mondays?

No, he doesn't clean the house on Mondays.

He sings on Mondays.



6. watch / TV / after school

Do they watch TV after school?

No, they don't watch TV after school.

They do their homework.



E. Complete the blanks with the **negative** or the **interrogative** form of the Present Simple of the verbs in brackets.

Mark: Hi, Tess! What are you doing?

Tess: I'm watching the football team.

Mark: *Do you watch* (watch) them every day?

Tess: No, I don't. They don't play (not play) every day. They play four times a week.

Mark: Do you have a favourite player?

Tess: No, I don't have (not have) a favourite player. Everyone on the team is good.

Mark: Does the attacker move (move) fast?

Tess: No, he doesn't move (not move) fast, but he's very clever. Do you like (like) football, Mark?

Mark: No, I don't like (not like) it. I like basketball. It's a great sport.

