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How to Use the Dialogues

Use the dialogues to practice the simple tenses ***and*** speaking English.

It is important to read the dialogues ***aloud***.

The special thing about these dialogues is that they only use one tense per dialogue. Moreover, there are five dialogues for every tense. That way the student can practice each tense to perfection.

There are several ways to use the dialogues:

- In a private lesson, the teacher and student read the dialogue together. The teacher reads the lines of the first character and the student reads the lines of the second character. Then they switch and reread the dialogue. Now the student reads the lines of the first character and the teacher reads the lines of the second character.

- With more than one student, divide the students into pairs. Student A reads the lines of the first character and Student B reads the lines of the second character. Then they switch and reread that dialogue. Now Student A reads the lines of the second character and Student B reads the lines of the first character.

- After reading, encourage a conversation on the topic and using the same tense.

Since contractions are very common in spoken English, the dialogues have many contractions. Refer to the contraction table at the end of this book to see all contractions and their full forms.

IMPORTANT: To get the most out of these materials, make sure the students understand all the words used. Do not let them guess words from context. If the students encounter a new or unclear word, explain to them what it means, or have them use the dictionary. For more on that read the article Building Vocabulary and Some Common Mistakes.



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Simple Present, Dialogue 3

Description: Daniel and Amanda meet for a first date.



Daniel: Hi Amanda! Thanks for coming.

Amanda: You're welcome! I'm always happy to have dinner at a nice restaurant. I'm always hungry.

Daniel: You're funny! Have a seat. How are you?

Amanda: I'm good, thank you. How are you?

Daniel: I'm good too.

Amanda: Thank you for the invitation. What looks good on the menu?

Daniel: I always order the lobster. Do you like lobster? It's on me.

Amanda: Wow, thank you. You're so generous. I also love lobster, but it's too expensive. Meatloaf always sounds good to me.

Daniel: Do you like fruit shakes?

Amanda: I love fruit shakes! My favorite is strawberry banana.

Daniel: That's so cool. Strawberry banana is my favorite too. You know, you make me a little bit nervous.

Amanda: You make me a little bit nervous too. At least we always agree on everything.

Daniel: You really are funny!

Amanda: Yes, I'm funny. See, we agree again.

Daniel: Ha! Well, what's your favorite movie?

Amanda: Rocky.

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Daniel: Rocky? Well, that's an odd choice. Mine's Star Wars.

Amanda: Star Wars?

Daniel: Yes, so apparently we don't agree on everything!

Amanda: What about books? What's your favorite book?

Daniel: My favorite book is Brave New World. I read it over and over again.

Amanda: Oh. I don't know that book, but it sounds good. My favorite book is The Call of the Wild.

Daniel: I know that book! It scares me. I can't believe that's your favorite! So, you must love dogs? I love dogs.

Amanda: Not really. I like cats.

Daniel: Oh. Okay. What about sports? Do you like sports? I love golf. I love to play golf, to watch golf, and to talk about golf. I even dream about golf!

Amanda: I watch professional wrestling. I go to matches and I watch them on television. I even have a collection of t-shirts.

Daniel: What? That's weird!

Amanda: I'm sorry!

Daniel: No, don't be sorry. We're just different. We can deal with that.

Amanda: Well, so much for the idea that we agree on everything.

Daniel: We still can! We just have to agree to disagree!

Amanda: Deal!

Daniel: Yes, it's a deal!

RANDOM PAGES SAMPLE

Simple Present, Dialogue 5

Description: A father and daughter talk.



Daughter: Daddy, my birthday is on July 23rd.

Father: Yes honey, I know. I'm your father, remember?

Daughter: I always have a birthday party on my birthday.

Father: Yes honey, I know.

Daughter: This year, I want to have my party at the waterpark.

Father: The waterpark?

Daughter: Yes. My friends like to swim and slide down the waterslides. The waterpark is so much fun.

Father: I don't know honey, the waterpark is expensive. And we don't want your presents to get all wet.

Daughter: Oh. I didn't know the waterpark is expensive. What about the zoo? I want to have my party at the zoo.

Father: I don't think so honey. Not everyone likes the zoo. Plus, the zoo is expensive too.

Daughter: Do they let kids ride the giraffes?

Father: Ha! You're silly. I'm pretty sure that giraffe rides are against the rules. What about a party at our house?

Daughter: I don't want to have my party at our house. Our house is boring. We don't have any giraffes. Or waterslides.

Father: I think we need to change the subject. What do you want for your birthday?

Daughter: You mean presents?

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Father: Yes, I mean presents. What do you want for presents? What does a five-year-old girl need these days?

Daughter: I want a princess dress. A long, pink princess dress.

Father: Is that all?

Daughter: I want a princess crown too.

Father: Is that it?

Daughter: And princess shoes … and princess earrings … and a princess necklace.

Father: Is that it?

Daughter: Yes.

Father: Okay, let's see what we can do.

Daughter: Daddy?

Father: Yes honey?

Daughter: I want a princess doll too. Princess dolls are beautiful. I like to play with their hair. So, I need some hair brushes too.

Father: Okay, maybe. Your list is a little long.

Daughter: Well, you have lots of money, right?

Father: No, I only have a little bit of money.

Daughter: Well, how much does a princess doll cost?

Father: I don't know honey, but we need to eat too.

Daughter: Right. I like to eat. And we also need to save money for the waterpark and the zoo.

RANDOM PAGES SAMPLE

Simple Past, Dialogue 2

Description: Dallas and Anna meet at a wedding.



Dallas: Hi there!

Anna: Hello.

Dallas: So, what brought you to this beautiful wedding on this beautiful day?

Anna: I went to college with the bride. So, she invited me.

Dallas: Nice. I went to college with the groom. So, he invited me. He and I studied history together.

Anna: Cool. Did you find history to be an interesting subject?

Dallas: Absolutely. I was very good at history.

Anna: Impressive. What was your favorite topic?

Dallas: I really liked the history of England. For example, King Henry the Eighth. Did you know he had eight wives?

Anna: Well, he was indeed Henry the Eighth, but he only had six wives.

Dallas: Oh, of course. I knew that. Well, at least his daughter, Queen Elizabeth the First, only had one husband!

Anna: Well, in fact she didn't marry anyone. So she didn't have a husband at all.

Dallas: Oh, of course. But the important thing is that in her time England and the US had very good relations.

Anna: Queen Elizabeth the First died in 1603. There was no US.

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Dallas: Oh. Wow. How embarrassing. Sorry.

Anna: No problem. I read quite a lot about Elizabeth the First, especially about her great victory at sea.

Dallas: Ah, yes! I remember that. She was a very good swimmer, wasn't she?

Anna: I didn't know that. I meant her great victory over the Spanish ships in 1588. From that point England grew and became a global empire.

Dallas: Oh. Wow! Did I mention that I didn't get very good grades?

Anna: Ha! No, you didn't mention that. I did get good grades, especially in the history of England. Then I became a professor, and I now teach history of England at the university.

Dallas: Wow, I certainly picked the wrong woman to impress with my knowledge of history!

Anna: Ha! No, you were okay. You impressed me with your creativity!

RANDOM PAGES SAMPLE

Contractions Table

Full Form	Contraction
I am	I’m
He is	He’s
She is	She’s
It is	It’s
That is	That’s
You are	You’re
We are	We’re
They are	They’re
I will	I’ll
He will	He’ll
She will	She’ll
It will	It’ll
We will	We’ll
They will	They’ll
Do not	Don’t
Does not	Doesn’t
Did not	Didn’t
Will not	Won’t
Is not	Isn’t
Are not	Aren’t
Was not	Wasn’t
Were not	Weren’t
Cannot	Can’t
Could not	Couldn’t
Should not	Shouldn’t
Let us	Let’s

Example Sentences

I am very tall. = I’m very tall.

She is a nice girl. = She’s a nice girl.

That is true. = That’s true.

You are a good friend. = You’re a good friend.

He will come home. = He’ll come home.

Please do not go now. = Please don’t go now.

It does not rain. = It doesn’t rain.

She did not like the cake. = She didn’t like the cake.

He will not help us. = He won’t help us.

They were not fast. = They weren’t fast.

We cannot open the window. = We can’t open the window.

So let us start. = So let’s start.

RANDOM PAGES SAMPLE

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

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ADD '-S' or '-ES' or '-IES'



Present Simple + Third Person Singular: With most verbs, simply add ***'-s'***. For example: *"She work**s** in an office."*

- However, you should add ***'-es'*** to the following kinds of verbs:

He She It	wa**tch**es TV. tea**ch**es English.	• *verbs ending in **'-tch'** or **'-ch'***
	wa**sh**es his/her/its clothes.	• *verbs ending in **'-sh'***
	mi**ss**es his/her/its friend.	• *verbs ending in **'-ss'***
	g**o**es to school. d**o**es exercise.	• *verbs ending in **'-o'***
	fi**x**es broken bicycles.	• *verbs ending in **'-x'***
	studies English.	• *verbs ending in a **consonant** + **'-y'** change to **'i'** before adding **'-es'***
	pl**ay**s tennis.	• *Note that verbs ending in a **vowel** + **'-y'** just add **'-s'** (vowels: a,e,i,o,u)*

- ***Editing Practice: Correct the 12 verb forms below (the first one is done for you).***

My Brother's Daily Routine

My brother always get (S) up at 6:00 am, and then wash his face, and brush his teeth. After breakfast, he go to college at 7:00 am. He study history and English and he always pass his exams with an A+ grade! Then, he hurry back home at around 4:00 pm and do his homework before he has dinner at 6:30 pm, and then he watch TV in the evenings. In his free time he play tennis and read magazines. He also has a part-time job two days a week: he teach English and Spanish at a local college! [100 words]

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Grammar Focus Add '-s' or '-es' or 'ies' (Present Simple)
Level Lower Intermediate

ANSWER KEY

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My Notes

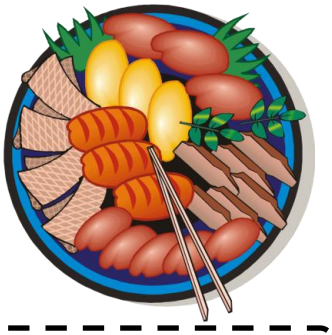


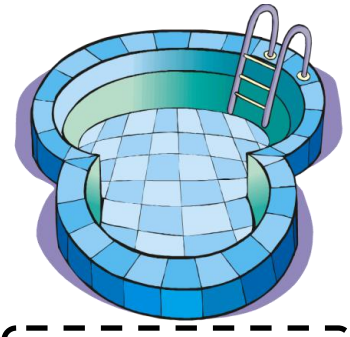
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AT THE HOTEL VOCABULARY MATCHING WORKSHEET !

Choose the correct words from the list below and write them under the correct pictures













WORD LIST

- reception
- bellboy
- maid
- manager
- luggage
- key
- swimming pool
- lift
- air conditioner
- sauna
- buffet
- gym
- double bed
- single bed
- towel
- television



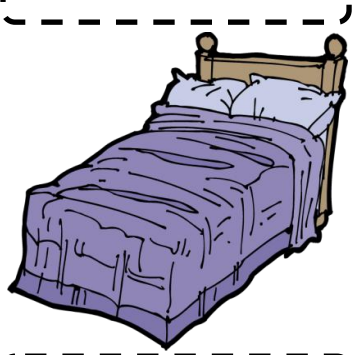


















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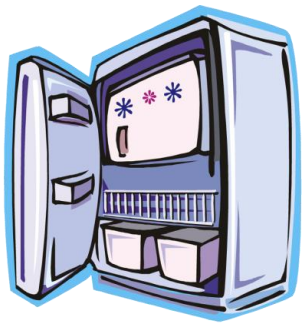
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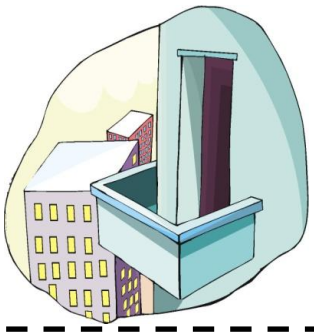




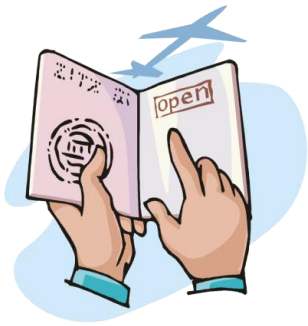
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- fan
- vending machine
- spa









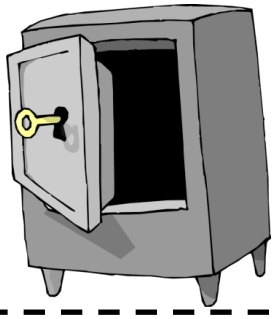












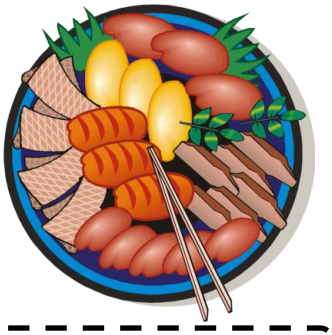
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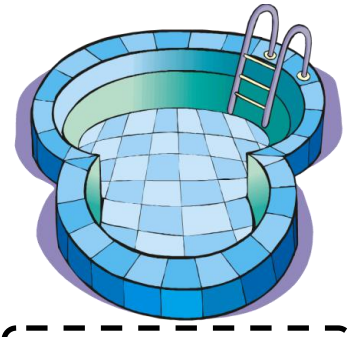
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manager



buffet



swimming pool



television



air conditioner



single bed

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key



reception



sauna



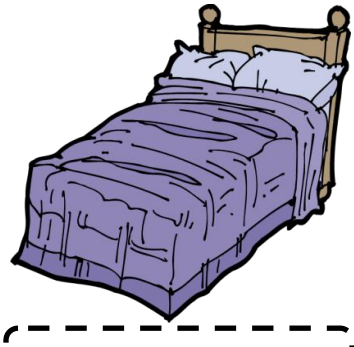
towel



bellboy



lift



double bed



maid



gym



luggage

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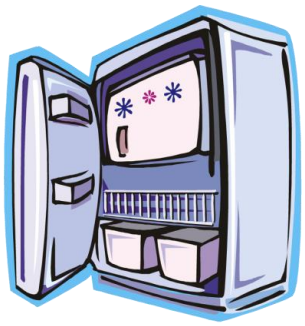
brochure



internet connection



hair dryer



minibar



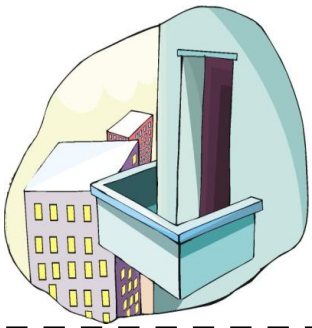
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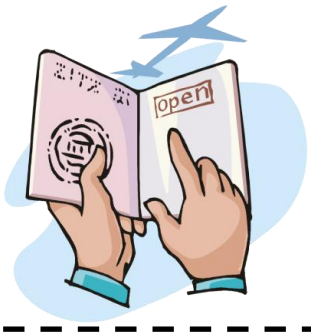
fan



balcony



credit card



passport



view



spa



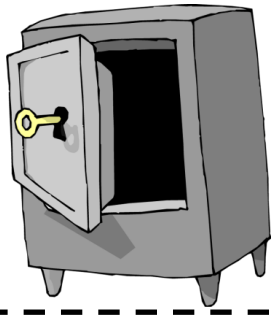
tip



lobby



vending machine



safe

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Simple Present (interrogative)

1. Write questions as in the example.

1. *You / speak English.*
2. She / work hard.
3. They / eat dinner at eight
4. Jill and Tom / study at university
5. You / do your homework every day
6. John / watch TV after dinner.
7. He / wash the car at the weekend.
8. Her friends / live in London.
9. You / play/ with brothers or sisters.
10. Your friends / go to the cinema.

2. **Complete the questions with *do* or *does*.**

1. she take her dog for a walk in the morning?
2. your friend Paul work in the shop over there?
3. they remember the answers to the exam?
4. your parents watch tv?
5. Bill teach maths?
6. Where ..... your sister live?
7. When .....the lessons finish?
8. you go to the coast in summer?
9. it rain in Ireland?
10. Where ....they ask so many questions ?

3. Write short answers to these questions (yes, I do / no, I don´t / yes, she does / no, she doesn´t, ...)

1. you speak French? .....
2. your mother like chocolate? .....
3. you study a lot? .....
4. you usually watch TV at night? .....
5. you play a musical instrument? .....
6. your father work? .....
7. you go to the cinema? .....
8. your best friend study? .....
9. it rain a lot in Africa? .....
10. you live in a flat? .....

Answers

Exercise 1:

2. Does she work hard?
3. Do they have dinner at eight?
4. Do Jill and Tom study at university?
5. Do you do your homework every day?
6. Does John watch TV after dinner?
7. Does he wash the car at the weekend?
8. Do her friends live in London?
9. Do you have any brothers or sisters?
10. Do your friends go to the cinema very often?

Exercise 2:

1. Does she take her gog for a walk in the morning?
2. Does your friend Paul work in the shop over there?
3. Do they know the answers to the exam?
4. Do your parents know that you smoke?
5. Does Bill teach maths?
6. Where does your sister live?
7. What time do the lessons finish?
8. Do you go to the coast in summer?
9. Does it rain very often in Ireland?
10. Why do they ask so many questions in class?

Exercise 3:

1. Yes, I do / No, I don´t
2. Yes, she does / no, she doesn´t
3. Yes, I do / No, I don´t
4. Yes, I do / No, I don´t
5. Yes, I do / No, I don´t
6. Yes, he does / No, he doesn´t
7. Yes, I do / No, I don´t
8. Yes, she/he does // No, she/he doesn´t
9. Yes, it does / No, it doesn´t.
10. Yes, I do / No, I don´t

Marcela's day at the restaurant.

She is marcela, she is 24 years old, she is working in a big restaurant; it is " las Noreñas".

"las Noreñas" is located near the Bolivar square in Armenia's downtown. Today, Marcela is cooking "ajiaco", she is Boiling the chicken in a big bowl, and she is grating the Carrots and Chopping the potatoes. She is mixing the potatoes with the carrots and she is adding some salt to the soup.

Now , Marcela is slicing the chiken in the kitchen and she is adding some " galinsoga leaves".

She is waiting 35 minutes to finish the soup.

She is cooking rice which is Delicious with "el Ajiaco". She is Boiling 500 ML of water, then she is Chopping some onions and she is mixing the onions with the water; next she is taking a cup of rice and is mixing with the water. Now she is stirring the rice with a wooden spoon and she is adding some salt.

When the mixture is making holes on the Surface , she is covering the recipient and setting the low stove's flame. Finally , she is waiting for 25 minutes to finish the rice.

Today's récipe is "ajiaco con Arroz". It is Delicious.

Questions:

1- Who is cooking?
2- Where is she cooking?
3- What is she cooking?
4- Where is the restaurant located?
5- What is she using to stir the rice?
6- Is she adding sugar to the rice?
7- Is she chooping tomatoes to cook "Ajiaco"?

Scrambled Sentences

1- **In/is/restaurant/a/working/she/big_____**
_____
2- **Boiling/in/bowl/the/a/is/she/big/chicken_____**
_____
3- **Potatoes/and/the/Chopping/the/she/Carrots/is/grating_____**
_____
4- **35/to/she/minutes/the/waiting/soup/is/finish_____**
_____
5- **Ajiaco/a/is/Delicious/she/cooking/_____**
_____

PRESENT CONTINUOUS TENSE

grammar overview

We use "present continuous" when we talk about events that are going on at the time of speaking.
Examples: Look! The girl is riding her bicycle. / I am having my breakfast at the moment.I can't come out. / The students are writing the summary of the reading text now. / Be quiet! The baby is sleeping.

We use "present continuous" when we talk about a period of time close to present.
Examples: Our football team isn't playing well this season. / She is preparing the project today. / We're having a lot of meetings this week. / Mark is working in China this month.

Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets

1.I'm in a very big forest now.The birds _____ (sing) and the ants _____ (carry) food.
2.Sally _____ (dry) her hair now.
3.Two men _____ (walk) in the street now.
4.Brian _____ (play) the guitar at the moment.
5.Steven and Rachel _____ (cook) the dinner in the kitchen.It smells wonderful.
6.My father _____ (read) his newspaper and my mother _____ (write) a letter to her sister at the moment.
7.You're _____ (study) hard this term.
8.Look! The Browns _____ (move) to another city.Let's go and help them carry the furniture.
9.The children _____ (play) in the garden.
10.Our boss _____ (have) a meeting at the moment.Can you wait for a short time?
11.I _____ (solve) a very difficult Maths problem.I can't listen to you at the moment.
12.The girls _____ (organize) a surprise party for Joseph at the moment.
13.Be careful! A dog _____ (run) toward us.
14.Don't make noise! The teacher _____ (talk) about an important subjec.t

Complete the sentences with a suitable verb below



1.You can't talk to Janet now.She _____ in her bedroom.
2.Look at the weather.It _____ .Take your umbrella with you.
3.The children _____ a cartoon on TV now.
4.She _____ to music and _____ in her room at the moment.
5.Oh,Mary! Where _____ ? To school or tothe library?
6.Larry and Peter _____ hamburgers and _____ coke in the school cafeteria now.
7.My mother _____ the dishes and my sister is _____ her in the kitchen at the moment.
8.I'm _____ for my university exam this year
9.We _____ in the lake at the moment.The water is warm and nice.
10.Helen _____ problems with her classmates this semester.Nobody likes her.

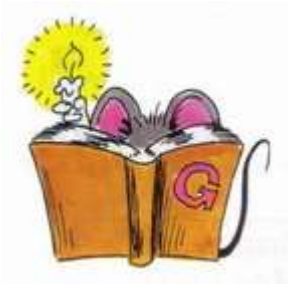
Unscramble the words and make sentences

1. a lorry / man / a / now / drive / tall
_____
2. clean / her / at the moment / Mrs.Gatsby /house
_____
3.internet cafe / go to / the children / now
_____
4.water / in the garden / my father / the flowers
_____
5.letter / I / my aunt / at the moment / write
_____
6.dolls / play / Susan / with / home / at / now
_____
7.park / Clark / car / in the / his / at the moment
_____
8.on / the baby / sit / the floor / play / and / now
_____
9.nice / a / tell / the teacher / story / now
_____
10.now / read / in the / Betty / a book / library
_____
11.barn / milk / Fanny / now / the cows / in the
_____
12.iron / I / shirts / at the moment / and / ties
_____
13.the zoo / watching / we / in / the animals / now
_____
14.the letters / now / deliver / the postman
_____

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Present Simple (1)

Form



Afirmative

I walk
You walk
He walk**s**
She walk**s**
It walk**s**
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	**Negative**
Yes, I / you / we / they **do**	No, I / you / we / they **don't**
Yes, he / she / it **does**	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 drink**s**
I run – he run**s**

BUT

- We add –es to verbs that end in –**ss**, **-sh**, **-ch**, **-x**, **-o**.
  I watch – he watch**es**
- With verbs ending in **consonant + y**, we change the –y to –ies.
  I cry – he cr**ies**
  But with verbs ending in **vowel + y**, we just add –s as usual.
  I play – he play**s**

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	_____	go	_____
wash	_____	teach	_____
drive	_____	carry	_____
fly	_____	start	_____
help	_____	kiss	_____
watch	_____	tidy	_____
like	_____	enjoy	_____
cry	_____	mix	_____



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

1. Peter and his friends _____ to school by bus. (go)
2. Elephants _____ leaves and grass. (eat)
3. David's father _____ in a hospital. (work)
4. The bank opens at 9.30 and _____ at 4.30. (close)
5. Tom and Jim _____ football every day after school. (play)
6. Mr Jones is a teacher. He _____ History. (teach)
7. Our lessons _____ at 9.00 and _____ at 3.30. (start / finish)
8. My pen friend _____ in Japan. (live)
9. Mary and her brother _____ cartoons every Sunday morning. (watch)
10. John _____ 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 _____ letters to all the people in the neighbourhood every day. He doesn't _____ but he _____ his motorbike. At the weekend, Mr Letty doesn't work. He _____. He _____ the countryside, so he always _____ to his country house with his wife. Mr and Mrs Letty _____ in the river and they _____ 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 aftenoon?

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

   He plays the accordion.



2. walk / after lunch

   _____

   _____

   _____



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

   _____

   _____

   _____



4. listen / to the radio / every Sunday



_____

_____

_____

5. clean / the house / on Mondays



_____

_____

_____

6. watch / TV / after school



_____

_____

_____

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 _____ (not play) every day. They play four times a week.

Mark: _____ you _____ (have) a favourite player?

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

Mark: _____ the attacker _____ (move) fast?

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

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