

<u>Afirmative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Interrogative</u>
I walk	I don't walk	Do I walk?
You walk	You don't walk	Do you walk?
He walks	He doesn't walk	Does he walk?
She walks	She doesn't walk	Does she walk?
It walks	It doesn't walk	Does it walk?
We walk	We don't walk	Do we walk?
You walk	You don't walk	Do you walk?
They walk	They don't walk	Do they walk?

Short answers

<u>Affirmative</u>	<u>Negative</u>
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 drinks
I run - he runs

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 cry**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.

