

3.2 Simple Present Spelling Rules: -s and -es Endings

1. Add -s to most verbs.

close-closes

love-**loves**

stop-stops

dance-dances

open-opens

take-takes

exercise-exercises

play-plays

write-writes

feed-feeds

put-puts

work-works

2. Add -es to verbs ending in -sh, -ch, -s, -x, and -z.

wash-washes

dress-dresses

buzz-buzzes

teach-teaches

relax-relaxes

3. Change -y to -i and add -es to verbs ending in a consonant + y.

carry-carries

copy-copies

study-studies

7 Write each verb with the correct -s, -es, or -ies ending.

1. study studies

8. help _____

2. fish _____

9. miss _____

3. pass _____

10. fly _____

4. worry _____

11. fix _____

5. explore _____

12. watch _____

6. bite _____

13. like _____

7. buy _____

14. pay _____

3.3 Irregular Verbs: Do, Go, and Have

Subject	Verb		Subject	Verb	
I	do	the dishes every day.	He	does	the dishes every day.
You			She	goes	to work at 7:00 a.m.
We	go	to work at 7:00 a.m.	It	has	dinner at 6:00 a.m.
You					
They	have	dinner at 6:00 a.m.			

The verbs *do*, *go*, and *have* are irregular for *he*, *she*, *it*, and singular subjects.

She **goes** home at six-thirty.

He **has** a meeting at two-thirty.

John **does** the laundry on Sunday night.

- 8 Complete the paragraphs with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

Manuel and Lila Vega

Manuel and Lila Vega (1) have (have) a busy lifestyle. Manuel is a doctor at a hospital. He works at night, so he (2) _____ (go) to work at 7:00 p.m. and comes home at 7:00 a.m. His wife Lila works at a bank. She (3) _____ (go) to work at 8:00 a.m. and comes home at 6:00 p.m. They don't see each other a lot during the week.

Manuel and Lila also (4) _____ (have) two children, Luis and Carla. Every morning they all (5) _____ (have) breakfast together at 7:30. Then, Luis and Carla (6) _____ (go) to school, and Lila (7) _____ (go) to work. Manuel (8) _____ (do) the dishes, and then (9) _____ (go) to bed. Carla usually (10) _____ (do) her homework at a friend's house in the afternoon, and Luis (11) _____ (have) soccer practice. Manuel gets up at 4:00 p.m. At 6:00 p.m., he (12) _____ (have) dinner with Lila, Luis, and Carla. After dinner, he (13) _____ (go) to work. Manuel and Lila (14) _____ (have) a busy schedule during the week, but on weekends they relax.

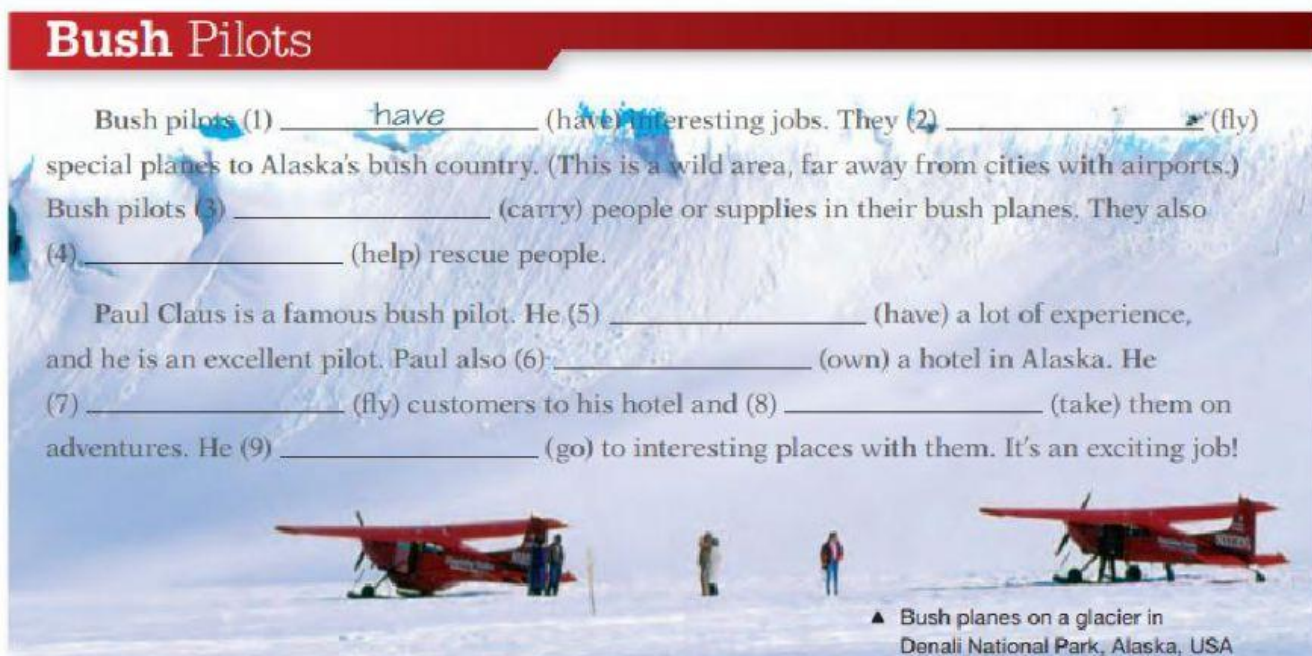
PRACTICE

- 9 Complete the paragraph with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses. Then listen and check your answers.

Bush Pilots

Bush pilots (1) have (have) interesting jobs. They (2) _____ (fly) special planes to Alaska's bush country. (This is a wild area, far away from cities with airports.) Bush pilots (3) _____ (carry) people or supplies in their bush planes. They also (4) _____ (help) rescue people.

Paul Claus is a famous bush pilot. He (5) _____ (have) a lot of experience, and he is an excellent pilot. Paul also (6) _____ (own) a hotel in Alaska. He (7) _____ (fly) customers to his hotel and (8) _____ (take) them on adventures. He (9) _____ (go) to interesting places with them. It's an exciting job!



▲ Bush planes on a glacier in Denali National Park, Alaska, USA