

## Present simple

### 1. The British Airways pilot

1. Read about Helen Walker. Complete the text with a verb from the boxes.

# Flying High

Captain Helen Walker is a pilot with twenty-five years' experience - and a collector of dolls from around the world!

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Helen Walker is 49, and she (1) comes from Guildford in the south of England. She (2) \_\_\_\_\_ for British Airways. She (3) \_\_\_\_\_ 747s from London Heathrow to New York JFK three times a week. She (4) \_\_\_\_\_ £75,000 a year. 'New York is my favourite city,' she says. 'It (5) \_\_\_\_\_ open spaces and parks like London, but I like it. I (6) \_\_\_\_\_ shopping on Fifth Avenue, and I (7) \_\_\_\_\_ shows on Broadway.'

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She's married to Bill, who's an accountant, and they (8) \_\_\_\_\_ three children. The children go to Sassoon House School. 'I (9) \_\_\_\_\_ the children to school, Bill does,' explains Helen, 'because I'm away so much.'

Helen has a hobby. She (10) \_\_\_\_\_ dolls from all over the world. She (11) \_\_\_\_\_ more than a hundred. 'I (12) \_\_\_\_\_ going to toy shops when I'm in another country,' she says.

2. Look at Helen's answers. Complete the questions.

- 1 'Where do you come from?'  
'I'm from Guildford.'
- 2 'Who \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ for?'  
'I work for British Airways.'
- 3 'What planes \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_?'  
'I fly 747s.'
- 4 'Where \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ to?'  
'I fly to New York.'
- 5 'How much \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_?'  
'I earn £75,000.'
- 6 'Where \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ shopping in New York?'  
'I go to Fifth Avenue.'
- 7 'What \_\_\_\_\_ your husband \_\_\_\_\_?'  
'He's an accountant.'
- 8 'How many dolls \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_?'  
'More than a hundred.'

3 Complete the sentences with isn't, aren't, 'm not, doesn't, or don't.

- 1 Helen Walker isn't a flight attendant. She's a pilot.
- 2 She \_\_\_\_\_ work in an office. She works in a plane.
- 3 'I \_\_\_\_\_ fly to Australia. I fly to New York.'
- 4 'There \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of parks in New York, just Central Park.'
- 5 'My children \_\_\_\_\_ go to Clarence School. They go to Sassoon House School.'
- 6 She \_\_\_\_\_ take the children to school, Bill does.
- 7 'I \_\_\_\_\_ at home all the time. I go away a lot.'
- 8 Helen \_\_\_\_\_ collect cars. She collects dolls.

## 2. More verbs in the Present Simple

Complete the sentences with a verb from the box.

love (x.2)	like	want	know	have
live	prefer	mean	understand	come

1 I have two sisters and a brother.

2 'What does this word \_\_\_\_\_? *Expensive.*'  
'It means it costs a lot of money.'

3 I'm hungry! I \_\_\_\_\_ a sandwich!

4 Where do you \_\_\_\_\_ from?

5 When Kenji speaks to me in Japanese,  
I don't \_\_\_\_\_.

6 I \_\_\_\_\_ with my parents in a town called Salford.

7 'Do you \_\_\_\_\_ what time it is?'  
'Yes. It's ten o'clock.'

8 'Do you \_\_\_\_\_ me?'  
'Of course I \_\_\_\_\_ you! You're my wife!'

9 'Do you like red or white wine best?'  
'I \_\_\_\_\_ red.'

10 They \_\_\_\_\_ good food so they often go to restaurants.

### 3. How often...?

1. Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1 always / shower / morning / have / the / in / I / a  
I always have a shower in the morning.

2 sometimes / go / cinema / to / I / the  
\_\_\_\_\_

3 often / France / on / We / holiday / go / to  
\_\_\_\_\_

4 never / coffee / morning / drink / I / in / the  
\_\_\_\_\_

5 usually / 9.00 / work / I / start / at  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Look at the information about Sam. Complete the sentences using an adverb.

Activity	How often?
drink tea in the morning	always
go to work by bus	usually
have lunch with a friend	sometimes
work late	never
go jogging	often



- 1 Sam always drinks tea in the morning.
- 2 He \_\_\_\_\_ to work by bus.
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ lunch with a friend.
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ late.
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ jogging.

## Vocabulary

### 4. Free time activities

1. Match a line in **A** with a line in **B**.

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>
1 We love films so	a <input type="checkbox"/> I read all the time.
2 My passion is books so	b <input type="checkbox"/> we often cook for friends.
3 I love jazz and blues so	c <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> we often go to the cinema.
4 I like relaxing at home so	d <input type="checkbox"/> I watch TV every night.
5 We love food so	e <input type="checkbox"/> I listen to a lot of music.

2. Choose play or go for each free time activity.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ golf
2. \_\_\_\_\_ swimming
3. \_\_\_\_\_ running
4. \_\_\_\_\_ windsurfing
5. \_\_\_\_\_ computer games
6. \_\_\_\_\_ sailing
7. \_\_\_\_\_ cards
8. \_\_\_\_\_ cycling
9. \_\_\_\_\_ tennis
10. \_\_\_\_\_ skiing

## Reading

### 5. My perfect weekend

# My perfect weekend

**Miranda Hart**  
- actress and  
comedian

*'Most single women  
I know want a  
boyfriend, but  
I love being on  
my own.'*



On Friday night I get home at 6.15 from work at the BBC and make a hot chocolate. I watch TV for an hour. I wait for the rush hour to finish, and then drive out of London. I hate driving in a lot of traffic.

I go with my dog, Peggy. We go south to a cottage near the sea. It's very quiet. I don't have any neighbours. I look at the stars in the sky - there are thousands of them!

#### *My favourite things ...*

- A hot bath
- Going to the theatre or cinema
- Looking at the sky
- Talking to my dog, who listens and doesn't answer back

I go to bed at 10.00 and sleep for ten hours. On Saturday morning, when I get up at

8.00, I'm very hungry, so I have breakfast in a café. After breakfast I do exercises, and then go for a long walk next to the sea.

In the afternoon I go out on my boat and have a picnic. I watch birds and enjoy the quiet - just me, the birds, and the sea. In the evening I read. I don't have a TV in the cottage.

On Sunday morning I listen to music then go for a really long walk to a pub, where I have lunch - a real Sunday lunch with a roast and lots of vegetables.

I leave the cottage at about 5.00 because I don't like driving in bad traffic. Back in London on Sunday evening I go to the cinema.

I like my job, but it's difficult. After a lovely, relaxing weekend I don't really want to go back to work on Monday morning. But it's fine - I work with nice people. ☺

1. Read the article carefully. Answer the questions.

- 1 What time does she get home on Friday evening?
- 2 What does she have to drink?
- 3 Does she stay in London for the weekend?
- 4 Does she like driving?
- 5 Who does she go with?
- 6 What are her favourite things?

2. Look at Miranda's answers. Complete the questions.

- 1 'What time do you go to bed on Friday night?'  
'At 10.00.'
- 2 'What time \_\_\_\_\_ on Saturday morning?'  
'At 8.00.'
- 3 'Where \_\_\_\_\_ ?'  
'In a café.'
- 4 'What \_\_\_\_\_ after breakfast?'  
'I do some exercises.'
- 5 'Where \_\_\_\_\_ ?'  
'Next to the sea.'

3. Complete the sentences about Miranda with a verb.

- 1 On Saturday evening Miranda reads a book.
- 2 She doesn't have a television.
- 3 On Sunday morning she \_\_\_\_\_ to music.
- 4 She \_\_\_\_\_ for a long walk.
- 5 She \_\_\_\_\_ lunch in a pub.
- 6 She \_\_\_\_\_ the cottage at 5.00.
- 7 On Monday morning she \_\_\_\_\_ to go back to work.
- 8 She \_\_\_\_\_ with nice people.

## Everyday English

### 6. Social expressions

Match a line in **A** with a line in **B**.

A	B
1 Have a nice day!	a <input type="checkbox"/> I have a headache.
2 I'm sorry I'm late.	b <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thanks. Same to you.
3 What's the matter?	c <input type="checkbox"/> Thanks! They're new! £30!
4 Can I have a coffee, please?	d <input type="checkbox"/> Never mind. Come and sit down.
5 What does <i>hungry</i> mean?	e <input type="checkbox"/> Of course. Black or white?
6 Can you help me?	f <input type="checkbox"/> Pardon? Could you say that again?
7 I like your jeans!	g <input type="checkbox"/> It means you want to eat!
8 How was your day?	h <input type="checkbox"/> Sure! What's the problem?
9 Please fasten your seatbelt.	i <input type="checkbox"/> Very interesting, thanks. What about you?

### 7. I'm tired!

Complete the conversations with an adjective in the box.

thirsty	happy	hungry	tired	busy
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- 1 'I'm tired \_\_\_\_\_.' 'Go to bed, then!'
- 2 'I'm \_\_\_\_\_.' 'Don't do too much!'
- 3 'I'm \_\_\_\_\_.' 'Have a sandwich, then!'
- 4 'I'm \_\_\_\_\_.' 'Have a drink, then!'
- 5 'I'm \_\_\_\_\_.' 'Good! I'm very pleased!'

**Don't forget**

**8. am / is / are / do / does ?**

Complete the conversations with am, is, are, do, or does.

**A** How many brothers and sisters (1) do you have?

**B** I have one brother and one sister.

**A** How old (2) \_\_\_\_\_ your sister?

**B** Twenty.

**A** How old (3) \_\_\_\_\_ you?

**B** I (4) \_\_\_\_\_ eighteen.

**A** What (5) \_\_\_\_\_ your sister do?

**B** She (6) \_\_\_\_\_ a student.

**9. a / an or no article**

Complete the sentences with a / an or – (nothing)

- 1 I have a shower in the morning.
- 2 I go to \_\_\_\_\_ work by \_\_\_\_\_ bus.
- 3 My brother's wife is \_\_\_\_\_ French.
- 4 She works in \_\_\_\_\_ office.
- 5 Can I have \_\_\_\_\_ cup of coffee, please?
- 6 We go to \_\_\_\_\_ café for \_\_\_\_\_ lunch.
- 7 Where do you go on \_\_\_\_\_ holiday?
- 8 She's \_\_\_\_\_ singer in \_\_\_\_\_ band.
- 9 We stay at \_\_\_\_\_ home on Friday evening.
- 10 I go to \_\_\_\_\_ bed about 11.00.

## 10. Prepositions

Complete the sentences with a preposition from the box.

to (x2)	from	by	of
on	in (x4)	with	for (x2)

- 1 I come from Italy.
- 2 I go \_\_\_\_\_ work \_\_\_\_\_ bus.
- 3 I live \_\_\_\_\_ my parents \_\_\_\_\_ a flat.
- 4 I like going \_\_\_\_\_ a walk \_\_\_\_\_ the park.
- 5 This is a photo \_\_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_\_ holiday \_\_\_\_\_ Spain.
- 6 My sister is married \_\_\_\_\_ an American.
- 7 I have a present \_\_\_\_\_ you.
- 8 We go skiing \_\_\_\_\_ winter.