

PRESENT SIMPLE TENSE

+ Affirmative

SUBJECT	+	VERB	...
I / you / we / they	+	spea <u>k</u>	...
he / she / it	+	spea <u>ks</u>	...

- + Affirmative: I **speak** English.
- + Affirmative: He **speaks** Spanish.
- + Affirmative: They **live** in London.
- + Affirmative: She **lives** in Paris.

Third person verbs need the final "s" in affirmative sentences.

- Negative

SUBJECT	+	AUXILIARY	+	VERB	...
I / you / we / they	+	don't	+	spea <u>k</u>	...
he / she / it	+	doesn't	+	spea <u>k</u>	...
				nee <u>d</u>	...
				like	...

- ⊗ The base form of the infinitive = ~~to~~ go, ~~to~~ need, ~~to~~ speak, ~~to~~ live
- Third person verbs lose the final "s" in negative sentences.

- + Affirmative: I speak Spanish.
- Negative: I **don't** speak Spanish.

- + Affirmative: She speaks Italian.
- Negative: She **doesn't** speak Italian.

? Question

AUXILIARY	+	SUBJECT	+	VERB	...
Do	+	I / you / we / they	+	spea <u>k</u>	... ?
Does	+	he / she / it	+	spea <u>k</u>	... ?
				nee <u>d</u>	... ?
				like	... ?

- ⊗ The base form of the infinitive = ~~to~~ go, ~~to~~ need, ~~to~~ speak, ~~to~~ live
- Third person verbs lose the final "s" in questions.

- + Affirmative: You speak English.
- ? Question: **Do** you speak English?

- + Affirmative: He speaks German.
- ? Question: **Does** he speak German?