

SIMPLE PRESENT RULES



Present Simple

Spelling Rules for Third Person (he/she/it)

Most verbs add **s**

work ➡ works
play ➡ plays
jump ➡ jumps

He works every day.
She plays the piano.
It jumps high.

eat ➡ eats
kick ➡ kicks
run ➡ runs

He eats breakfast.
She kicks the ball.
It runs fast.

Verbs ending in **ch, sh, ss, o, x, or z** add **es**

teach ➡ teaches
wash ➡ washes
miss ➡ misses

He teaches English.
She washes clothes.
It misses its friend.

fix ➡ fixes
go ➡ goes
buzz ➡ buzzes

He fixes computers.
She goes to school every day.
It buzzes loudly.

Verbs ending in a **consonant + y** the **y** changes to **ies**

carry ➡ carries
study ➡ studies
fly ➡ flies

He carries his backpack.
She studies every day.
It flies fast.

hurry ➡ hurries
marry ➡ marries
try ➡ tries

He hurries home.
She marries her friend.
It tries to fly.

Verbs like **have, do, and go** are irregular

be ➡ is
have ➡ has

He is smart.
She has a toy.

do ➡ does
go ➡ goes

He does his homework.
It goes fast.

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