

Present Simple

Ex.1. Complete the text with the verb forms in the box.

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Living in the country

Dave Clarke is a sheep farmer in New Zealand. He and his wife _____ in a farmhouse in the hills with their two children. Dave _____ 600 sheep. He _____ seven days a week and at least ten hours a day.

'We _____ any days off,' says Dave. 'The animals _____ feeding every day. In lambing season we _____ all night, too!' Once a month he _____ to the market in the nearby town to buy or sell sheep. 'I _____ comfortable in towns. I _____ being in the countryside. I feel free here.'

Dave _____ a lot – about \$50,000 a year, but, as he says, 'Money is important, but it _____ that much to me. I'm very lucky. I _____ the best job in the world!'



Ex.2. Complete the questions about Dave.

- 1 'What does Dave do?' – 'He's a sheep farmer.'
- 2 'Where _____ Dave and his wife _____?' – 'In a farmhouse in the hills.'
- 3 'How many sheep _____ he _____?' – '600.'
- 4 'How many hours a week _____ he _____?' – 'At least 70.'
- 5 'Why _____ he _____ to the market?' – 'To buy or sell sheep.'
- 6 'How much _____ he _____?' – 'About \$40,000 a year.'

Ex.3. Complete the negative sentences.

- 1 Dave doesn't have (not have) any days off.
- 2 They _____ (not go) to bed in lambing season.
- 3 He _____ (not like) being in towns.
- 4 'I _____ (not earn) a lot, but it _____ (not matter).'

Ex.4. Write the short answers.

- 1 'Do Dave and his wife have any children?' – 'Yes, they do.'
- 2 'Does he have any days off?' _____.
- 3 'Does he like being in the countryside?' _____ v.
- 4 'Do you earn a lot, Dave?' _____.
- 5 'Do you like your job, Dave?' _____.