

# THE PRESENT SIMPLE TENSE

## I. USAGE

We use the Present Simple to talk about:

|                          |                                                                                    |                                                                                     |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Daily routines           |  |  |
| General facts            |  |  |
| Timetables and schedules |   |  |

## II. FORM

|                 | Structure                                                                            | Examples                                             |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Affirmative     | S + base Verb/ Verbs<br>• I/You/ We/ They study/work<br>• He/ She/ It studies/ works | I go to school every day.<br>She works in an office. |
| Negative        | S + do/ does not + base verb                                                         | I do not like coffee.<br>He does not watch TV.       |
| Yes/No question | Do/ Does + Subject + base verb ?                                                     | Do you play football ?<br>Does she live near here ?  |

### III. ADVERBS OF FREQUENCY

| Adverbs   | Meaning       |
|-----------|---------------|
| Always    | Luôn luôn     |
| Usually   | Thường        |
| Sometimes | Thỉnh thoảng  |
| Never     | Không bao giờ |

|           |      |
|-----------|------|
| always    | 100% |
| usually   | 70%  |
| sometimes | 40%  |
| never     | 0%   |

Example: I usually get up at 6 a.m

### IV. COMMON MISTAKES

She go to school every day. ☐

She goes to school every ☒

Does he like music ? ☒

Does he likes music? ☐

### V. PRACTICE

Fill in the blanks with the correct form

- I always \_\_\_\_\_ (study) English at the evening.
- She \_\_\_\_\_ ( not like) spicy food.
- \_\_\_\_\_ he \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to work by bus.
- My parents \_\_\_\_\_ ( not watch) TV in the morning.
- We usually \_\_\_\_\_ (have) lunch at 11 a.m.