

PRESENT SIMPLE

I. WHAT IS THE PRESENT SIMPLE?

We use the Present Simple tense to talk about:

		
Daily Routines: Actions we repeat regularly. <i>Example:</i> I get up at 6:00 a.m. every morning.	General Facts: Things that are always true. <i>Example:</i> The sun rises in the east.	Timetables and Schedules: Fixed public schedules. <i>Example:</i> The bus leaves at 8:00 a.m.

II. FORM

1. Affirmative

Subject	Verb	Example
I / You / We / They	Base Verb (<i>work, study, play</i>)	I go to school every day.
He / She / It	Verb + s / es (<i>works, studies, plays</i>)	She works in an office.

2. Negative

Subject + do/does not (*don't / doesn't*) + Base Verb

Subject	Auxiliary + Not	Base Verb	Example
I / You / We / They	do not (<i>don't</i>)	base verb	I do not like coffee.
He / She / It	does not (<i>doesn't</i>)	base verb	He does not watch TV at night.

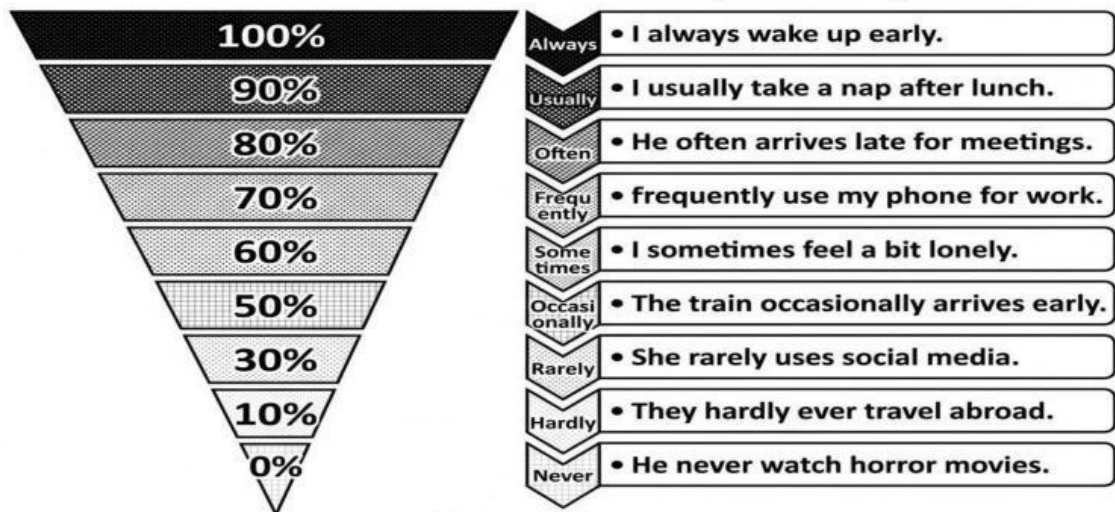
3. Yes / No Questions

Do / Does + Subject + Base Verb

- **Do** you **play** football? *Yes, I do. / No, I don't.*
- **Does** she **live** near here? *Yes, she does. / No, she doesn't.*

III. ADVERBS OF FREQUENCY

Adverbs of Frequency



Word Order

Positive	Subject	Frequency Adverb	Main Verb	She often sings.
Sentence	Subject	Be Verb	Frequency Adverb	He is rarely late.
Question	Auxiliary Verb	Subject	Verb	Do you often cook?

IV. COMMON MISTAKES

Incorrect (X)	Correct (✓)	Explanation
She go to school every day.	She goes to school every day.	Singular subject (<i>She</i>) needs verb + <i>-es</i> .
Does he likes music?	Does he like music?	Use the base verb after the auxiliary <i>Does</i> .
I am work in a hospital.	I work in a hospital.	Do not mix <i>be (am)</i> with action verbs.

V. PRACTICE EXERCISES

Task : Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- She _____ (teach) English at a primary school.
- We _____ (not / play) football on rainy days.
- _____ (he / watch) the news every evening?
- My father always _____ (fix) his car on weekends.
- The train to Ho Chi Minh City _____ (leave) at 8:00 AM every morning.