

Activity

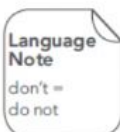
Present Simple (I/You/We/They)

1. Read the following fragments

- I. "I **live** close by, in a *favela* (shanty-town)."
- II. "We **have** rehearsals for our part in the parade every Monday."
- III. "I **don't** usually **see** my Carnival costume until the day before."

Complete the sentences below with I, II or III.

- a. Fragments and contain examples of words and expressions that describe the **frequency** of activities (*every day, every Friday, never, frequently* etc.).
- b. The Present Simple tense is used to talk about a **habit, routine** in fragments and
- c. The Present Simple tense is used to talk about **facts** in fragment
- d. Fragments and are examples of **affirmative sentences** in the Present Simple tense.
- e. Fragment is an example of **negative sentence** in the Present Simple tense.



2. To form negative sentences in the Present Simple tense (when the subject is I / you / we / they), we use

- ☐ **don't** + main verb in the infinitive. ☐ main verb in the infinitive. + **don't**.

3. Complete the following sentences about Carnival with the verbs from the box below as in the example.

celebrate • don't open • play • start • **vary**

- a. Celebrations for Carnival **vary** throughout the world.
- b. People Carnival in a variety of styles throughout Brazil.
- c. In Olinda, musicians "frevo" and turn the entire town into a party.
- d. The preparations for the samba school competitions months before the event.
- e. Some Brazilian offices and companies for the week of Carnival.

4. Go back to exercise 3 and read the sentences again. Why are they in the Present Simple tense?

- ☐ To talk about facts. ☐ To talk about preferences.

5. Complete the following texts with the verbs from the boxes below as in the examples.