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Simple present tense(1)

We use the simple present tense to talk about:

(1) things that are true now, e.g. My name is Susie. I am twelve years old.

(2) how often we do things, e.g. Susie and Betty go shopping every Saturday morning. They usually buy a lot of things.

(3) Things that are always true, e.g. Birds have two wings. They fly very high.

We form positive and negative statements in the simple present tense with the verb 'to be' (is/am/are)like this.

Subject	verb 'to be'	
	Positive (+)	Negative (-)
I	am ('m)	am not ('m not)
	e.g. I am twelve years old.	e.g. I am not twelve years old.
We **You (singular)** **You(plural)** **They**	are ('re)	are not (aren't)
	e.g. We are very good students. You are a handsome boy. You are my friends.	e.g We are not very good students. You are not a handsome boy. You are not my friends.
He **She** **It**	is ('s)	is not (isn't)
	e.g. He is the class monitor. She is my sister. It is a lovely dog.	e.g. He is not the class monitor She is not my sister. It is not a lovely dog.

Exercise 1

Fill in these sentences using the correct form of the verb 'to be' and the words in the brackets. Then write the words in the blanks.

1. I_____ happy.(not)
2. He _____ sad.
3. You _____ Japanese.(not)
4. We _____ Chinese.
5. They _____ busy.(not)
6. Tigers _____big cats.
7. Cheung Chau _____ in Kowloon.(not)
8. His name _____ Billy..
9. We _____ good friends.
10. She _____ my mother.
11. You _____ the monitor.
12. I _____ thirteen years old.
13. He _____ 2 years old.(not)
14. They _____ good football players.(not)

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Simple present tense(2)

With other verbs, we usually form positive and negative statements in the simple present tense like this

	Subject I/We/You/You/They	Subject He/She/It
Positive (+)	I **eat** ice-cream. You **eat** ice-cream. We **eat** ice-cream. They **eat** ice-cream.	He **eats** ice-cream. She **eats** ice-cream. It **eats** ice-cream.
Negative(-)	I don't eat ice-cream. You don't eat ice-cream. We don't eat ice-cream. They don't eat ice-cream.	He does not eat ice-cream. She does not eat ice-cream. It does not eat ice-cream.

Exercise 2

Say these sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Then write the words in the blanks.

(1) Susie _____ shopping in Causeway Bay.(love)

(2) Causeway Bay _____ very busy.(be)

(3) Betty _____ early.(not get up)

(4) I _____ fruit.(not like)

(5) School always _____ at eight o'clock in the morning.(start)

(6) We usually _____ at school at half past seven.(arrive)

(7) The dog _____ me. (like)

(8) Henry _____ a nice school bag.(have)

(9) She _____ television every night. (not watch)

(10) I _____ that dress.(not like)

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Simple present tense(3)

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With most verbs, we add –s to the verb when it is used with the third person singular. With other verbs, we change the verb in different ways:

Verbs	you should…
With most verbs	**+ s**
e.g. run →runs	
sleep →sleeps	
Ending in a consonant + y	**- y + ies**
e.g. Fly →flies	
carry →carries	
Go/ Do	**+es**
Ending in ss, x, sh, ch	**+ es**
e.g. Kiss →kisses	
Fax →faxes	
Wash →washes	
switch →switches	

Exercise 3

Say these sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Then write the words in the blanks.

1. Sam _____(wash)his face every day.
2. Susie _____(kiss)Mum every night.
3. Dad often _____(carry)Susie's books.
4. Nick _____(cook) dinner for his family every evening.
5. He _____ (brush)his hair every morning.
6. May often _____ (read)books.
7. Kitty _____ (wash) the dishes every night.
8. My bird _____(fly) beautifully.
9. The dog _____(like) eating bones.
10. My baby sister _____(cry) every night.
11. Jenny always _____(do) her homework on time.
12. Vincent _____(love) Flora.
13. Ron_____(take) his dog for a walk every afternoon.
14. Mable usually_____(buy) vegetables at the market.
15. The lion _____(run) very fast.

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Simple present tense(4)

We form positive and negative statements in the simple present tense with the verb 'to have' like this:

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Positive (+)			Negative(-)		
I You You We They	have	a good book.	I You You We They	**do not (don't) have**	a good book.
He She It	has	a good book.	He She It	**does not(doesn't) have**	a good book.

Exercise 4

Say these sentences using the correct form of the verb 'to be' or 'to have' and the word in brackets. Then write the words in the blanks.

1. He _____(have/not) any brothers.
2. Betty _____(have) one sister.
3. Yuki _____(have/not) a very nice dress.
4. The cat _____(have) a very good place to live at.
5. They _____(have/not) a very big house.
6. We _____(have) a very kind class teacher.
7. Peter and Jason _____(have) a powerful computer.
8. I _____(have) 5 members in my family.
9. She _____(have/not) long hair.
10. He _____(have) white teeth.
11. Sally _____(have) 6 members in her family. She _____(have) 3 sisters but she _____(have/not) any brothers. Sally _____(have) short hair bur all her sisters _____(have) long and straight hair. Sally and her sisters _____(have) a pet cat called Dolly.

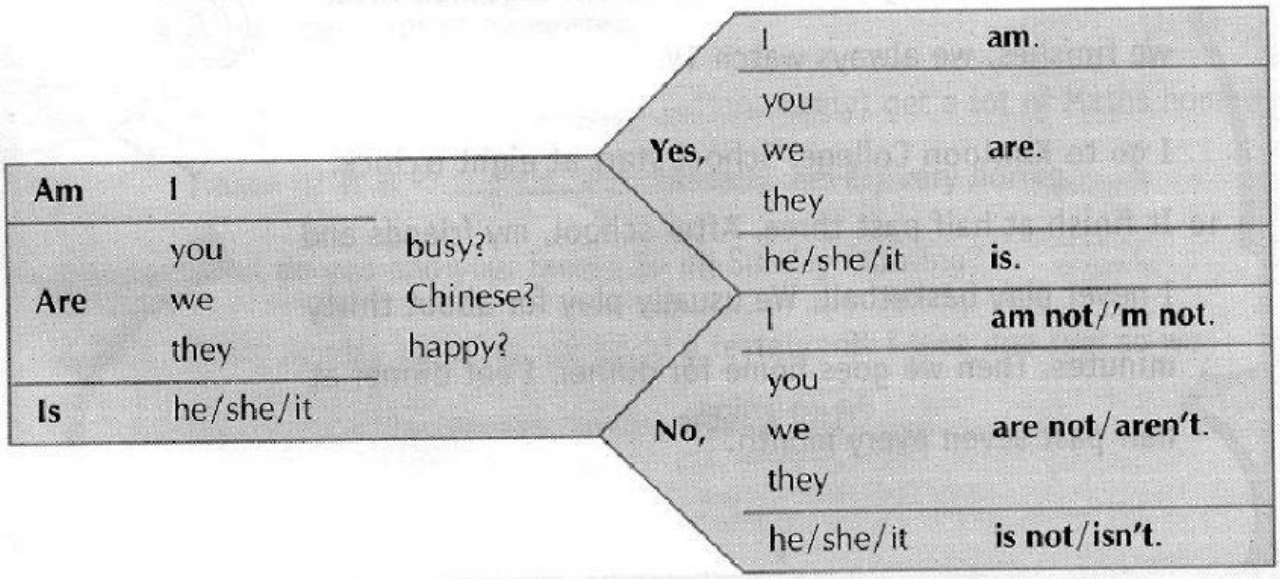
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Simple present tense (Questions 1)

With the verb 'to be', we use **'Am'/'Are'/'Is'** to ask a question in the simple present tense. The answer is always **'Yes'** or **'No'**.

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Exercise 1

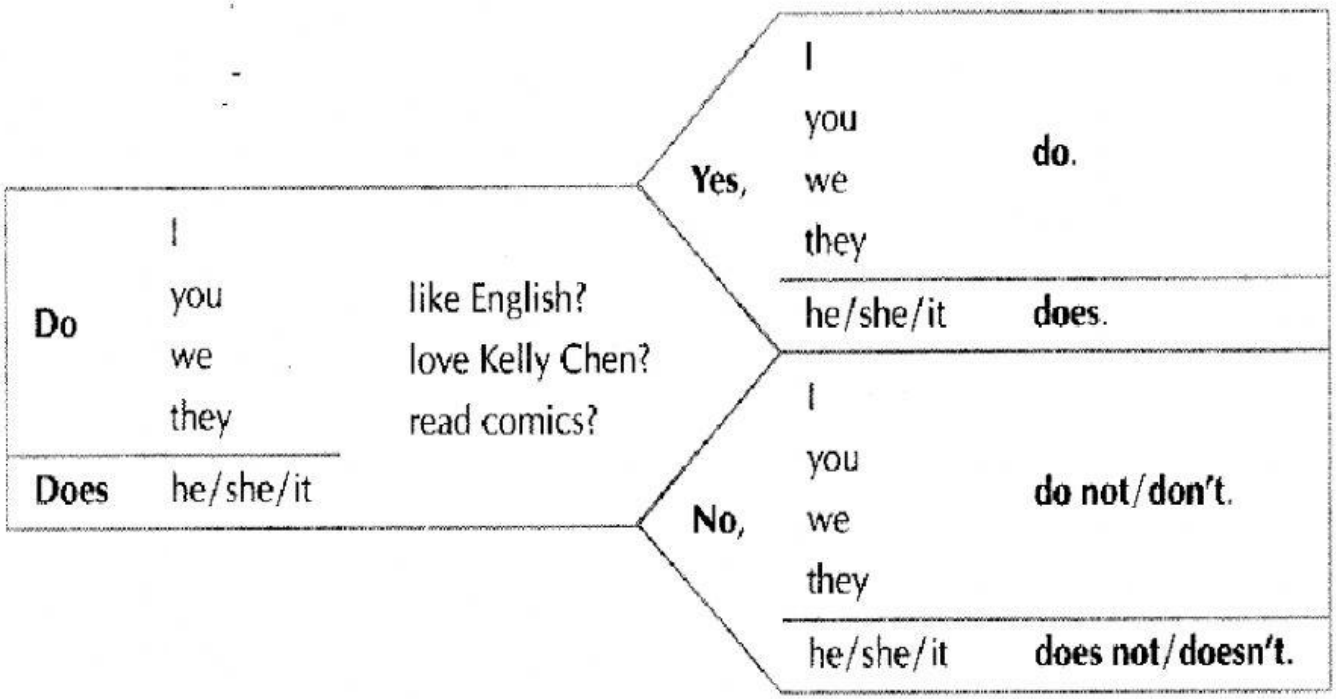
Say these questions and answers using the correct form of the verb 'to be'. Then write the words in the blanks.

1. _____ he early? Yes, he is.
2. _____ I late? No, you aren't.
3. _____ you sick? No, I'm not.
4. _____ they friends? Yes, they are.
5. _____ she at school? No, she isn't.
6. _____ we in the hall? No, you aren't/we aren't.
7. _____ I in Class 1S? Yes, you are.
8. _____she your friend? Yes, she is.
9. _____they police? No, they aren't.
10. _____we good friends? Yes, we are.

Simple present tense (Questions 2)

We can also use **'Do'/'Does'** to ask a question in the simple present tense with other verbs. The answers is always **'Yes'** or **'No'**.

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Exercise 2

Say these questions and answers using the correct form of the verb 'to do'. Then write the words in the blanks.

1. _____ you like English? Yes, I do/we do.
2. _____Bobby like noodles? No, he doesn't.
3. _____ we have a test now? Yes, you do/we do.
4. _____ they have a test this morning? No, they don't.
5. _____ Susie like ice cream? Yes, she does.
6. _____Tommy walk to school? Yes, he does.
7. _____you understand? Yes, I do.
8. _____I read English books? No, you don't.
9. _____you remember me? Yes, I do.
10. _____we have to stay after school? No, you don't.

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