

## English Grammar Exercise

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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.

<u>Subject</u>	verb 'to be'	
	<u>Positive (+)</u>	<u>Negative (-)</u>
<b>I</b>	am ('m)	am not ('m not)
	e.g. I am twelve years old.	e.g. I am not twelve years old.
<b>We You (singular) You(plural) They</b>	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.
<b>He She It</b>	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.

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| 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 <b>eat</b> ice-cream. You <b>eat</b> ice-cream. We <b>eat</b> ice-cream. They <b>eat</b> ice-cream.	He <b>eats</b> ice-cream. She <b>eats</b> ice-cream. It <b>eats</b> ice-cream.
Negative(-)	I <b>don't</b> eat ice-cream. You <b>don't</b> eat ice-cream. We <b>don't</b> eat ice-cream. They <b>don't</b> eat ice-cream.	He <b>does not</b> eat ice-cream. She <b>does not</b> eat ice-cream. It <b>does not</b> 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)

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...
<b>With most verbs</b>	<b>+ s</b>
e.g. run →runs	
sleep →sleeps	
<b>Ending in a consonant + y</b>	<b>- y + ies</b>
e.g. Fly →flies	
carry →carries	
<b>Go/ Do</b>	<b>+es</b>
<b>Ending in ss, x, sh, ch</b>	<b>+ es</b>
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:

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

#### 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 but 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'.

<b>Am</b>	I		<b>Yes,</b>	I	<b>am.</b>
	you	busy?		you	
<b>Are</b>	we	Chinese?	<b>No,</b>	we	<b>are.</b>
	they	happy?		they	
<b>Is</b>	he/she/it		<b>Yes,</b>	he/she/it	<b>is.</b>
				I	<b>am not/'m not.</b>
			<b>No,</b>	you	
				we	<b>are not/aren't.</b>
			<b>Yes,</b>	they	
				he/she/it	<b>is not/isn't.</b>

### Exercise 1

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

- \_\_\_\_\_ he early? Yes, he is.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I late? No, you aren't.
- \_\_\_\_\_ you sick? No, I'm not.
- \_\_\_\_\_ they friends? Yes, they are.
- \_\_\_\_\_ she at school? No, she isn't.
- \_\_\_\_\_ we in the hall? No, you aren't/we aren't.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I in Class 1S? Yes, you are.
- \_\_\_\_\_ she your friend? Yes, she is.
- \_\_\_\_\_ they police? No, they aren't.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 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'.

Do	I	like English? love Kelly Chen? read comics?	Yes,	I	do.
	you			you	
Does	he/she/it		No,	he/she/it	does.
				they	
				I	do not/don't.
				you	
				we	does not/doesn't.
				they	
				he/she/it	

### Exercise 2

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

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|---|--------------------|
| 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.     |