

## Grammar: Present Simple (affirmative)

1-Look at the photo below. Do you know this TV show? Can you name any of the characters?

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2-Read the text. Then answer the questions.

# THE BIG BANG THEORY

is a TV comedy about a group of friends in Pasadena, California. Leonard and Sheldon are scientists. They work together and they share a flat too. Two other friends from work, Howard and Raj, often visit them. Penny lives opposite. She works in a restaurant. She likes Leonard and Sheldon, but they are very different from her. A lot of the humour comes from this contrast. It's a simple idea for a show, but millions of people watch and enjoy it every week. Clearly, people love shows about friends!

The image shows the main cast of the TV show 'The Big Bang Theory' standing together against an orange background. From left to right: Kunal Nayyar as Rajesh Koothrappali, Jim Parsons as Sheldon Cooper, Simon Helberg as Howard Wolowitz, Emily Bett Rickards as Penny, and Mayim Bialik as Amy Farrah Fowler.

- a. Which characters in the show work together?
- b. Which characters live together?
- c. Can you name any other TV shows about friends?

3-Find examples of the present simple in the text.

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4- Complete the sentences about THE BOG BANG THEORY. Use the present simple affirmative form of the verbs below.

like live visit watch work

- 1 Millions of people \_\_\_\_\_ the show regularly.
- 2 Sheldon \_\_\_\_\_ in a flat with Leonard.
- 3 Raj and Howard \_\_\_\_\_ with Sheldon and Leonard.
- 4 Raj and Howard \_\_\_\_\_ Sheldon and Leonard regularly.
- 5 In general, people \_\_\_\_\_ shows about groups of friends.

5- Complete the text with the present simple affirmative form of the verbs in brackets.

My stepsister Rose is a scientist and she <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (love) her job. She <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (work) at a university in California – she <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (study) stars and black holes. Rose isn't American, but she really <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (like) her life in California. Every weekend, she <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the beach. She <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) friends there and they <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) surfing together. Rose <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (share) an apartment with one of her friends, Madison. Madison <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in a restaurant and she's often at work in the evening. On those evenings, Rose <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) DVDs in the apartment or she <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) dinner with friends in town.

6- Write the third person singular forms of the verbs below.

1 enjoy _____	5 know _____
2 have _____	6 go _____
3 finish _____	7 use _____
4 study _____	8 watch _____

7- Complete the information with the present simple affirmative forms of the verbs in brackets.

1 I \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Montreal with my family. We \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) French at school, but I \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) English at home with my family. My mum \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in a shop and my dad \_\_\_\_\_ (play) the guitar in a band.

2 I'm from Miami, Florida. I \_\_\_\_\_ (live) with my parents and my three brothers. My grandma \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in the same street. She \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) us every day. She \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) Spanish.

3 I \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Perth, in Australia. In the summer, I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the beach every day and I \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) in the sea. My brother \_\_\_\_\_ (love) sport. He \_\_\_\_\_ (play) cricket for Western Australia juniors.

8- Write short messages about yourself like the ones in exercise 7. Use the verbs from this lesson.

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9- SPEAKING. Think of a TV show about a group of friends or a family. Tell me about the show. Use verbs from this lesson.