

4 Present Simple (2)

1 We use the Present Simple:

- ▶ to talk about feelings and opinions:



*I like pop music. I don't like classical music.
She loves football!
Philip wants a new car.
I don't want a cup of tea, thanks.
He feels sick.*

- ▶ to talk about thoughts:



*I don't think she likes her new job.
I don't know the answer.
He doesn't understand me.*

For other uses of the Present Simple, see Unit 3.

2 We form Present Simple questions like this:

QUESTIONS

Singular	Do	I/you	} know?
	Does	he/she/it	
Plural	Do	we	} know?
	Do	you	
	Do	they	

Note that we put **do** before I/you/we/they:

*Do you speak Spanish?
Do you work in the town centre?
Do they know the answer?*

We put **does** before he/she/it:

*Does he walk to work?
Does Steve enjoy his job?
Does she play the piano?*

Note that we say:

Does he walk? (NOT Does he walks?)

Practice

A Put in the words from the box in the correct form. Use the Present Simple. Use each verb once.

like not know love feel think not like want not understand

- ▶ She thinks that films are fantastic! She loves films.
- 1 I sick. Can I have a glass of water please?
- 2 I don't know the answer because I the question.
- 3 I he's tired. He works too hard.
- 4 We that new painting. We think it's terrible!
- 5 I want to telephone Jane, but I her phone number.
- 6 They're thirsty. They something to drink.
- 7 I your new car. It's very nice. Was it expensive?

B Write sentences about Peter. (✓ = like, ✓✓ = love, X = not like, XX = hate)

- ▶ (tennis X) He doesn't like tennis.
- ▶ (music ✓✓) He loves music.
- 1 (coffee ✓) He
- 2 (films X) He
- 3 (his job ✓✓)
- 4 (fish XX)
- 5 (holidays ✓✓)
- 6 (golf X)

C This is an interview with Mary Woods about herself and her husband, John. Write the questions, using the ideas from the box.

like films	read books	listen to the radio	play golf
watch TV	play a musical instrument	smoke	go to the theatre
drive a car	like pop music	drink coffee	live in London
like dogs	speaK any foreign languages		

QUESTIONS

- ▶ Do you live in London..... ?
- ▶ Does John play golf..... ?
- 1 ?
- 2 ?
- 3 ?
- 4 ?
- 5 ?
- 6 ?
- 7 ?
- 8 ?
- 9 ?
- 10 ?
- 11 ?
- 12 ?

ANSWERS

- ~ Yes, I live in north London.
- ~ No, but he plays tennis.
- ~ Yes, I speak French.
- ~ Yes, I like all the programmes on TV.
- ~ Yes, he listens to the radio in the morning.
- ~ No, but he loves cats.
- ~ No, I don't like films.
- ~ Yes, he has two cups in the morning.
- ~ No, but I have a bicycle.
- ~ Yes, he plays the piano.
- ~ No, I prefer classical music.
- ~ Yes, I love musicals.
- ~ Yes, I read one book every week.
- ~ No, he doesn't like cigarettes.

D You are on holiday, and you are in a Tourist Information Centre. Ask questions using the table below.

A	B	C
Do	you	stop at the railway station?
Does	the sports centre	finish before eleven p.m.?
	all the banks	start here?
	the number 38 bus	sell maps of the city?
	the restaurants	change tourists' money into pounds?
	the concert	sell souvenirs?
	the sightseeing tour	have a swimming pool?
	the museum	serve typical English food?

- ▶ Do you sell maps of the city?.....
- 1 the sports centre
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7