

Present Simple and Present Continuous

Present Simple

(Aux: + ? DO/DOES + Verb INF)

FORM:

- + I, you, we, they + Verb (INF)
he, she, it + Verb (-S)
- I, you, we, they + DO NOT + V (INF)
he, she, it + DOES NOT + V (INF)
- ? DO + I, you, we, they + V (INF)
DOES + he, she, it + V (INF)

USE: to talk about things as "normal".

KEYWORDS: Always, usually, often, sometimes, never, every week, ...

Present Continuous (Aux: + - ? AM/IS/ARE)

FORM:

- + I + AM + Verb (-ING)
he, she, it + IS + Verb (-ING)
you, we, they + ARE + Verb (-ING)
- I + AM NOT + Verb (-ING)
he, she, it + IS NOT + Verb (-ING)
you, we, they + ARE NOT + Verb (-ING)
- ? AM + I + Verb (-ING)
IS + he, she, it + Verb (-ING)
ARE + you, we, they + Verb (-ING)

USE: to talk about things related to a time.

KEYWORDS: Now, at the moment, today, tomorrow, this week, on Thursday, ...

ACTIVITY:

Complete the sentences with the right form of the PRESENT SIMPLE or PRESENT CONTINUOUS of the verbs in brackets:

Example: What time do you go (you/go) to bed every night?

1. My sister is always happy. She always _____ (smile) a lot.
2. They _____ (watch) a film tonight.
3. My sister _____ (not get up) early at the weekends.
4. What _____ (you/usually do) on Saturdays?
5. It _____ (snow) at the moment.
6. I usually _____ (ride) my bicycle when I go to meet my friends.
7. I _____ (not go) to Bill's house because I have to clean my car.
8. I'm tired, I _____ (go) home right now.
9. I _____ (play) tennis tomorrow.
10. I _____ (use) my mobile phone a lot.
11. The sun _____ (rise) in the east.
12. The sun _____ (not shine) today.
13. I _____ (do) this test in English.
14. My mother never _____ (wear) jeans.
15. The shops _____ (open) at 9 every day.
16. We _____ (not go) to school at weekends.
17. Listen! Somebody _____ (sing).
18. How often _____ (you/read) a newspaper?
19. You can turn off the radio; I _____ (not listen) to it.