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1 Look

Present Simple & Present Continuous

Present Simple



Present Continuous



S + verb

S + am/is/are (not) + V-ing

Express general truths

E.g: It rarely rains in the desert.

Describe actions happening now

E.g: She is reading a newspaper upstairs.

Indicate present habits

E.g: The birds return to the island every morning.

Express annoying habits (+ always)

E.g: You're always forgetting to pay the bills.

Express timetable events

E.g: The plane to London takes off at 6:30 a.m.

Describe future arrangements

E.g: She's getting married on 3 November.

Indicate permanent states

E.g: I like the new James Bond film.

Express temporary states

E.g: She's working at the museum until the end of this month.





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A. Present Simple

We **play** soccer **every afternoon**.

John **plays** soccer **on Fridays**.

The boys **play** soccer **twice a week**.

• The present simple tense tells **habitual activities** or **facts**.

• Time expressions used with the present simple tense:

- every day, every week, every month
- on Sundays, on Tuesdays
- in the morning, in the afternoon, in the evening, at night
- once a week, twice a week, three times a month, four times a year

3 Write the sentence in the present simple tense.

- 1 Amy **reads** a book every night.
- 2 The baseball players baseball in the afternoon.
- 3 My brother his homework at night.
- 4 We usually our grandma on Sundays.
- 5 My teacher English in class every day.
- 6 We our uniforms to school every day.



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B. Present Continuous

We **are playing** soccer now.

John **is playing** soccer at the moment.

The boys **are playing** soccer today.

- The present continuous tense talks about **actions** that are **happening now**.

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3 Write the sentence in the present simple continuous tense.

- 1 **play** John is playing a computer game now.
- 2 **take** The students are taking the test at the moment.
- 3 **brush** My sister is brushing her teeth right now.
- 4 **stay** We are staying home today.
- 5 **write** My dad is writing a letter to his friend at the moment.



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6 Write in your notebook

C. Present Simple vs. Present Continuous

Habitual Action	Temporary Action
Amy usually wears jeans. Students go to school every day. My mom usually cooks dinner.	Amy is wearing a skirt today. Students are going on a field trip today. My dad is cooking dinner now.

7 Look. Write the correct form of the verb.

- take** I always take a shower in the morning.
- play** Ken with his dog in the backyard right now.
- finish** My dad work at 6:00 every day.
- brush** I my teeth three times a day.
- have** The girls lunch at the moment.
- study** Kathy for her English test now.

