

Pronunciation

/ə/ and /ɜ:/

4 Listen and repeat. Pay attention to the sounds /ə/ and /ɜ:/.

/ə/	/ɜ:/
amazing	learn
yoga	surf
collect	work
column	thirteen

5 Listen to the sentences and pay attention to the underlined parts. Tick (✓) the appropriate sounds. Practise the sentences.

/ə/ /ɜ:/

1. My hobby is collecting dolls.
2. I go jogging every Thursday.
3. My cousin likes getting up early.
4. My best friend has thirty pens.
5. Nam enjoys playing the violin.

A CLOSER LOOK 2

Grammar

The present simple

Remember!

We use the present simple for:

- something that is a general truth.
Example: The sun **rises** every morning.
- something that happens regularly in the present.
Example: She **goes** swimming three times a week.
- timetables or programmes.
Example: The cooking lesson **starts** at 9 a.m.

1 Match the sentences (1 – 5) to the correct uses (a – c).

1. My sister usually cooks dinner.
2. The train leaves at 10 a.m.
3. The Red River flows through Ha Noi.
4. My yoga class starts at 6 a.m. every Tuesday.
5. We sometimes watch TV on Sundays.

a. a timetable / programme

b. a regular action

c. a general truth

2 Complete the sentences. Use the present simple form of the verbs.

1. My brother and I (make) _____ a new model every month.
2. What _____ Lan (do) _____ in her free time?
3. I (have) _____ a drawing lesson every Tuesday.
4. Mark (not like) _____ doing judo.
5. _____ your English lesson (start) _____ at 6 p.m.?

3 Fill in each blank with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

My family members have different hobbies. My dad (1. enjoy) _____ gardening. He (2. spend) _____ two hours in our garden every day. My mum and sister (3. not like) _____ gardening, but they love cooking. They (4. go) _____ to a cooking class every Sunday. Their lesson (5. begin) _____ at 9 a.m. I (6. not enjoy) _____ cooking, and I cannot cook very well.

4 Write complete sentences, using the given words and phrases.

You may have to change the words or add some.

1. sun / set / in / west / every evening.

2. Trang and Minh / play / basketball / every day / after school?

3. flight / from / Ho Chi Minh City / not arrive / 10:30.

4. our science teacher / start / our lessons / 1 p.m. / on Fridays.

5. you / make / model / at / weekend?

5 GAME Sentence race

Work in groups.

1. Read the verb the teacher writes on the board.

2. Take turns to make a sentence with the verb, using the present simple.

3. Get one point for each correct sentence. The group with the most points wins.