

# 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 (informal)

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.

Match

1. We use Present Simple for
  2. We use Present Continuous for
- A. Facts and routines
  - B. Now, temporary things, arranged future



## Present Simple

- I \_\_\_\_\_ (drink) coffee every day.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (not / drink) coffee every day.
- Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (drink) coffee every day.
- Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (not/ drink) coffee every day.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (you / drink) coffee every day?  
Yes, I \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Mary / drink) coffee every day?  
Yes, she \_\_\_\_\_.

### 7. Use "Be" (am/is/are):

I \_\_\_\_\_ a coconut. You \_\_\_\_\_ a coconut. He \_\_\_\_\_ a coconut.  
She \_\_\_\_\_ a coconut. It is a \_\_\_\_\_. We \_\_\_\_\_ coconuts. They  
are \_\_\_\_\_.

### 8. Choose:

We Use SUPER S with:

I      You      He      She      It      We      They



## Present Continuous

- Hey! Look at me! I \_\_\_\_\_ (jump) into the pool.
- You \_\_\_\_\_ (jump). Well done!
- We \_\_\_\_\_ (jump) now.
- They \_\_\_\_\_ (jump) right now.
- He \_\_\_\_\_ (jump) at the moment.
- She \_\_\_\_\_ (not/jump) She is sitting.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (it / jump)? Can you see it?
- \_\_\_\_\_ (you/ jump)?  
Yes, I \_\_\_\_\_.



### Present Simple or Present Continuous?

- 1) James \_\_\_\_\_ (play) tennis now.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ (he / eat) rice every day?
- 3) We \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the cinema tomorrow afternoon.
- 4) I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/work) today. Shall we do something?
- 5) What \_\_\_\_\_ (do) at the moment?
- 6) You \_\_\_\_\_ usually \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) your homework late.
- 7) Fi \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) now.
- 8) The sun \_\_\_\_\_ (rise) in the east.
- 9) Stars \_\_\_\_\_ (shine) in the sky.
- 10) The Moon \_\_\_\_\_ (not/shine)
- 11) It \_\_\_\_\_ (reflect) light from the sun.
- 12) \_\_\_\_\_ (you/ like) shopping with your parents?
- 13) \_\_\_\_\_ (you/listen) to me? You seem lost.
- 14) The train \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) at 5.
- 15) I \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) with my grandparents this weekend.
- 16) Listen! The birds \_\_\_\_\_ (sing)
- 17) My sister sometimes \_\_\_\_\_ (read) comic books.
- 18) Do you \_\_\_\_\_ (water) the plants every day?
- 19) I \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to go on a holiday.
- 20) \_\_\_\_\_ (you / understand) what I say?

