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GRAMMAR

Present simple: affirmative *I like, she plays*

Frequency adverbs *always, usually*

Present simple

The present simple describes general facts, repeated actions and habits, and things that are always true.

- **General facts**

I like milk.

*Maria **plays** basketball.*

*They **speak** Turkish.*

*We **live** in Australia.*

- **Repeated actions and habits**

*Harry often **arrives** late.*

*I **walk** to school every day.*

*I usually **get up** at 7.30.*

*My brother usually **walks** with me.*

- **Things that are always true**

*The sun **rises** in the east.*

*The earth **goes** round the sun.*

I walk

we walk

you walk

they walk

***BUT** he walks*

she walks

it walks

Spelling

Verbs ending in *o, s, ch, sh, x* add *-es* for the *he/she/it* form.

go → *goes*

miss → *misses*

watch → *watches*

wash → *washes*

relax → *relaxes*

always, usually, often, sometimes, never

We often use the present simple with these frequency adverbs.

always 100% *Tim **always** wears jeans.*

usually 80% *I **usually** go to bed at 9.30.*

often 60% *Sue **often** goes to the cinema.*

sometimes 40% *Sam **sometimes** walks to school.*

never 0% *It **never** rains here in August.*

- The frequency adverb goes between the subject and the verb.

*Monday **always** comes after Sunday.*

GRAMMAR 2 PRESENT SIMPLE: AFFIRMATIVE; FREQUENCY ADVERBS

1 Look at the pictures. Complete each sentence with a verb from the box.

arrive	like	live	rain	start	teach
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- David likes chocolate.
- It here in November.
- Liz with her family in Italy.
- George often late.
- The lesson at 6.00.
- Kate and Jim English in Spain.

2 Underline the correct word in each sentence.

- Juan and Carmen live / lives in Madrid.
- Harry watch / watches television every evening.
- I usually go / goes to school by bus.
- It never snow / snows in this city.
- Sam live / lives in that house.
- You never clean / cleans your teeth!
- Carol get / gets up early every day.
- All the buses leave / leaves from this bus-stop.

3 Complete each sentence. Use the verb and frequency adverb in brackets.

- Tina (sometimes, miss) sometimes misses the bus to school.
- I (never, get up) before 6.00.
- We (usually, take) a holiday in August.
- Jim and Helen (often, go) to the theatre.
- I (often, sing) in the shower.
- Pat (sometimes, play) football on Sunday.
- You (never, finish) your homework!
- Our teacher (always, wear) a tie.