

SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE

Look at the picture.



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Expressions used to describe the picture:

They are elementary students. They wear a uniform to school.

Yono is an elementary student. He wears a uniform to school.

I/we/you/they	drive/work/do etc.
he/she/it	drives/works/does etc.

The simple present tense is used to talk about things in general. It is used to say that a particular thing happens all the time as facts or general truth or regularly or repeatedly as a habit.

For example:

A doctor writes a prescription for patients.

I always have a holiday in December.

The earth goes round the Sun.

The shops close at 9 in the evening.

They work at the Governmental Office.

To make questions and negative sentences, do/ does is used:

Do	I/we/you/they	go/ walk/ deliver etc.
Does	he/she/it	go/ walk/ deliver etc.
I/we/you/they	don't	go/ walk/ deliver etc.
he/she/it	doesn't	go/ walk/ deliver etc.

For example:

She comes from New Zealand. Do you come from the same country?

They don't stay here anymore.

Panda don't eat meat.

The simple present tense is also used to say how often things happen.

For example:

I have dinner at 6 o'clock every evening.

How often do you go to the cinema?

Jenneth usually cleans the room in the morning.