

01 The present simple

The present simple is used to make simple statements of fact, to talk about things that happen repeatedly, and to describe things that are always true.

1.1 FILL IN THE GAPS BY PUTTING THE VERBS IN THE PRESENT SIMPLE

Jessica walks (walk) around the park every day at lunchtime.

- 1 Tony makes (make) a huge breakfast for his family on Sundays.
- 2 I usually eat (eat) my lunch at 1pm at an Italian restaurant.
- 3 Fiona meets (meet) her friends at a café on Thursday evenings.
- 4 We sometimes play (play) tennis with our friends on Saturday mornings.
- 5 My cousin starts (start) work at 6am every morning.
- 6 The shop assistant leaves (leave) work at 6pm in the evening.
- 7 You drink (drink) a lot of coffee every morning.
- 8 Paolo usually reads (read) a book in the evenings.

1.2 MARK THE SENTENCES THAT ARE CORRECT

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|  Steve usually finishes work at 5pm. ☒ |  Jane brushes her hair in the morning. ☐ |
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|  Greg works in a factory. ☐ |  Selma goes shopping after work. ☐ |
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1.3 FILL IN THE GAPS USING "AM," "IS," OR "ARE"

They are here for the party.

- 1 I am a doctor at the local hospital.
- 2 Vicky is my eldest child.
- 3 We are from a town in Scotland.
- 4 Both my parents are lawyers.
- 5 You are a very good friend.
- 6 I am an American.
- 7 That policeman is so tall.
- 8 She is twenty-three years old.
- 9 It is cold outside.
- 10 I am fifteen today.
- 11 Our cat is black and white.
- 12 We are very excited.
- 13 They are students from France.
- 14 Jim is an architect.
- 15 My sister-in-law is from Japan.
- 16 I am so hungry!
- 17 You are very lazy.
- 18 My children are so tired.
- 19 I am forty-three years old.
- 20 They are late for work.
- 21 Claudia and Paolo are Italian.
- 22 My grandfather is retired.
- 23 We are from Pakistan.
- 24 Paul is disappointed.

1.4 FILL IN THE GAPS USING "HAVE" OR "HAS"

He has a lot of homework to do.

- 1 Jack has a new car.
- 2 Jennifer has Abbie's bag.
- 3 We have a beautiful farm.
- 4 I have three sisters.
- 5 Bob has a toothache.
- 6 My house has a large garage.
- 7 They have a new laptop.
- 8 We have so many books.
- 9 My dad has red hair.
- 10 You have an old phone.
- 11 My neighbors have a daughter.
- 12 Juan's house has three floors.
- 13 That bird has big eyes.
- 14 I have a new baby.
- 15 We both have headaches.
- 16 They have the same dress.
- 17 My grandparents have chickens.
- 18 You have a friendly cat.
- 19 My town has two museums.
- 20 Yuko has a painful back.
- 21 Our dogs have lots of toys.
- 22 We have an English class tonight.
- 23 Vineetha has a new haircut.
- 24 I have dinner at 6pm every day.