

**Present simple (I do) with a future meaning**

We use the present simple when we talk about timetables, programmes etc. (for public transport, cinemas etc.):

- My train **leaves** at 11.30, so I need to be at the station by 11.15.
- What time **does** the film **start** this evening?
- It's Wednesday tomorrow. / Tomorrow **is** Wednesday.

You can use the present simple to talk about people if their plans are fixed like a timetable:

- I **start** my new job on Monday.
- What time **do** you **finish** work tomorrow?

But the continuous is more usual for personal arrangements:

- What time **are** you **meeting** Ann tomorrow? (*not do you meet*)

**Use the words in the box to complete the sentences.**

**What time**

?

**the train to Oxford/leave**

**The film**

**at a quarter to nine.**

**start**

**When**

?

**the documentary/finish**

**The exhibition**

**on November 28.**

**finish**

**The plane to Amsterdam**

**at 9 on Monday**

**depart**

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