

## LESSON 13

### 4.3 The Simple Present—Use THÌ HIỆN TẠI ĐƠN - CÁCH DÙNG

EXAMPLES	EXPLANATION
American movie theaters <b>sell</b> popcorn. Americans <b>like</b> the movies.	We use the simple present for facts. Chúng ta sử dụng thì hiện tại đơn giản cho các dữ kiện.
We <b>go</b> to the movies once a month. Every week we <b>visit</b> our friends.	We use the simple present for repeated actions. Chúng ta sử dụng thì hiện tại đơn cho các hành động lặp lại.

#### READ

Read the following blog about free-time activities in the United States. Pay special attention to the simple present verbs and frequency words in bold.  4.1

Americans **work** hard. But they **have** fun, too. Americans **do** many different activities in their free time. They **often** **visit** each other. A visitor **usually** **needs** an invitation. Or the visitor **calls** first.

People **sometimes** **invite** their friends to their homes. **Sometimes**, they **eat** dinner together. Other times, they **watch** sports on TV together. Baseball, basketball, and football are popular sports to watch. Millions of Americans **watch** a football game called the Super Bowl each year. The two best football teams in the United States **play** in the Super Bowl in January or February.

Americans **like** the movies. They **often** **go** to the movies on weekends. Theaters **sell** popcorn and other snacks. People **buy** these treats at a concession stand<sup>1</sup>.

Americans also **enjoy** museums. Families **spend** time at the exhibits. Museums **have** interesting activities, too. A list of activities is **usually** on a museum's website.

City parks **have** many fun activities, too. In the summer, many city parks **have** free outdoor concerts. People **sometimes** **have** picnics. They **cook** on a grill and **eat** outside. They **call** this kind of food "barbecue." It's very popular.

Americans **enjoy** their free time.



#### DID YOU KNOW?

Many theaters have cheaper tickets before 3 p.m. Senior citizens, children, and students may also get a discount.

#### EXERCISE 3

Write a sentence with the correct form of the verb in the simple present.

Use the ideas from the blog on page 64. Answers will vary.

Viết một câu với dạng đúng của động từ ở thì hiện tại đơn. Sử dụng các ý tưởng từ blog ở phần READ.

1. Americans/like

Americans like outdoor concerts.

2. American museums/have

3. a city park/have

4. people/invite

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5. a movie theater/sell

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6. American families/enjoy/on weekends

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## 4.4 Frequency Words TRẠNG TỪ CHỈ TẦN SUẤT

FREQUENCY	FREQUENCY WORD	EXAMPLES
100% 	always	Simon <b>always</b> cleans his grill.
	usually	Americans <b>usually</b> call before a visit.
	often	Dorota <b>often</b> goes to the movies with friends.
	sometimes	Simon and Marta <b>sometimes</b> watch football games.
	rarely	Americans <b>rarely</b> visit friends without an invitation.
	hardly ever	My brothers <b>hardly ever</b> have free time.
	never	I <b>never</b> cook outside in January.

Notes:

1. Frequency words go before most verbs. *Usually* and *sometimes* can also go at the beginning of a sentence. Các từ chỉ tần suất đứng trước động từ. *Usually* và *sometimes* cũng có thể đứng ở đầu câu.

*Sometimes we go to the movies.*

*Usually Dorota has free time on Sundays.*

2. Frequency words follow the verb *be*. Các từ chỉ tần suất đứng sau động từ *be*.

*Simon **is** always on time.*

*He **is** never late.*

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**ABOUT YOU** Write a sentence with the words given. Add a frequency word from Chart 4.4.

Viết một câu với các từ đã cho. Thêm một từ chỉ tần suất từ Bảng trên.

1. go to the movies

I **hardly ever** go to the movies.

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2. cook dinner at home

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3. watch TV in the evening

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4. invite my friends to my home

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5. play sports

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6. spend time at museums

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7. work on Saturdays

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8. have free time

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9. go to the city park

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10. be on time

**EXERCISE 4** Complete the sentences in Dorota's email about American customs. Use the words given and put them in the correct order. Use the correct form of the verb.

Hoàn thành các câu trong email của Dorota về phong tục của người Mỹ. Sử dụng các từ đã cho và đặt chúng theo đúng thứ tự. Sử dụng dạng đúng của động từ.

Hi Halina,

Newcomers always ask \_\_\_\_\_ me about dinner invitations.

1. always/newcomers/ask

\_\_\_\_\_ each other to dinner at their homes.

2. often/invite/Americans

\_\_\_\_\_ a guest for a specific day and time. "Let's have dinner sometime." is not an invitation. \_\_\_\_\_ on time. It isn't polite

3. an American/invite/usually

sometime." is not an invitation. \_\_\_\_\_ on time. It isn't polite

4. always/a dinner guest/arrive

to be more than fifteen minutes late. \_\_\_\_\_

5. bring/usually/guests

something for the host or hostess.

6. they/bring/sometimes

flowers.

At dinner, \_\_\_\_\_

7. often/guests/say

something nice about the food.

8. ask/guests/sometimes

for more

food. This is not polite in some countries. But it's

OK here.

Dorota



**EXERCISE 5** Fill in the blanks in Simon's conversation with Victor. Use the verbs from the box.

Some verbs can be used more than once. Then listen and check your answers.  4.4

Điền vào chỗ trống trong cuộc trò chuyện của Simon với Victor. Sử dụng các động từ trong hộp. Một số động từ có thể được sử dụng nhiều hơn một lần. Sau đó, lắng nghe và kiểm tra câu trả lời của bạn.

pay      have      sell      like      play      has      need      enjoy

**Simon:** Are you and Lisa busy tonight?

**Victor:** No, why?

**Simon:** The city always has <sup>1.</sup> concerts in the park every Thursday evening.

Let's all go tonight.

**Victor:** Sure. That's a great idea.

**Simon:** Bring Maya. Kids enjoy <sup>2.</sup> outdoor concerts.

**Victor:** Are the concerts expensive?

**Simon:** No. The city pays <sup>3.</sup> for them. They're free for all of us.

**Victor:** Where are the concerts?

**Simon:** At Logan Park on Central Street. Different bands play <sup>4.</sup> there from

7 to 9 p.m. The kids have <sup>5.</sup> fun with their friends. A little store in the park

sells <sup>6.</sup> popcorn and ice cream. Amy likes <sup>7.</sup> ice cream in

the summer. Marta and I enjoy <sup>8.</sup> the different kinds of music.

**Victor:** We need <sup>9.</sup> chairs, right?

**Simon:** Yes, but I have <sup>10.</sup> some chairs for outside. Don't worry about that. Be at our house at about 6:30.

**Victor:** Thanks, Simon. See you tonight!

An outdoor concert in Colorado, USA



**EXERCISE 6** Drag and drop the Vietnamese sentences on the lines under the English ones. There are two Vietnamese sentences who don't need.

Kéo và thả câu tiếng Việt vào bên dưới câu tiếng Anh có nghĩa tương ứng. Có 2 câu tiếng Việt ta không cần.

Các gia đình Mỹ đôi khi thưởng thức các buổi hòa nhạc trực tiếp vào cuối tuần.

Chúng tôi đi xem phim mỗi tháng một lần.

Các rạp chiếu phim ở Mỹ bán bong bóng.

Người Mỹ thích rạp chiếu phim.

Các ban nhạc khác nhau thường chơi ở đó từ 7 đến 9 giờ tối.

Người Mỹ tặng quà hoặc hoa cho chủ nhà khi đến thăm nhà.

Mỗi tuần chúng tôi đến thăm bạn bè của chúng tôi.

Tôi hầu như không bao giờ đi xem phim.

Người Mỹ thường mời một vị khách vào một ngày giờ cụ thể.

Chúng tôi không thường xuyên đi xem phim.

Một cửa hàng nhỏ trong công viên bán bong bóng và kem.

Mang hoa hoặc quà cho chủ nhà là phép lịch sự.

1. American movie theaters sell popcorn.

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2. Americans like the movies.

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3. We go to the movies once a month.

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4. Every week we visit our friends.

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5. American families sometimes enjoy live concerts on weekends.

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6. I hardly ever go to the movies.

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7. Americans often invite a guest for a specific day and time.

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8. It is polite to bring flowers or gifts for the host or hostess.

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9. Different bands usually play there from 7 to 9 p.m.

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10. A little store in the park sells popcorn and ice cream.

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