Present Simple

Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I eat	I don't eat	Do I eat?
You eat	You don't eat	Do you eat?
He eat**s**	He do**es**n't eat	Do**es** he eat?
She eat**s**	She do**es**n't eat	Do**es** she eat?
It eat**s**	It do**es**n't eat	Do**es** it eat?
We eat	We don't eat	Do we eat?
You eat	You don't eat	Do you eat?
They eat	They don't eat	Do they eat?

USE:

1. We use the Present Simple for:

   - regular habits and daily routines;
   - facts, things in general;
   - permanent or long-lasting situations;
   - timetables and schedules.

2. It is used with adverbs like:

   - always
   - often
   - usually
   - sometimes
   - rarely
   - never
   - every day
   - ...

FORM:

1. To form the Present Simple we add –s to the infinitive of the verb in the 3rd person singular (he, she, it)

   E.g.: I live

   He / She / It lives

2. But when the verb ends in:

a) –o, -ss, -sh, -ch, we add –es

E.g.: I go → he/she/it goes

I kiss → he/she/it kisses

I wash → he/she/it washes

I watch → he/she/it watches

b) a **consonant** followed by –y, the –y changes into –ie and we add -s

E.g.: I study → he/she studies

c) a **vowel** followed by –y we just add -s

E.g.: I play → he/she plays

3. To form the **negative** and the **interrogative** we need the auxiliary verb **to do** in the present simple. This means we have to add –es in the 3rd person singular (he, she, it) while the main verb will be used in the infinitive.

E.g.: Do you like? You don't like.
Does he like? She doesn't like.

A. Complete the sentences, choosing the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1. David _____ table-tennis. (play/plays)
2. They _____ to school on foot. (go/goes)
3. Carol _____ in Bath. (live/lives)
4. School _____ at 6.30. (finish/finishes)
5. We _____ T.V. in the evening. (watch/watches)
6. Jessica _____ in her bedroom. (study/studies)

7. The dog _____ in the kennel. (sleep/sleeps)
8. The children _____ the street to school. (cross/crosses)
9. Mr Wilson _____ in a bank. (work/works)
10. Joe _____ his homework in the afternoon. (do/does)

B Rewrite the sentences beginning with he or she.

1. They collect stamps. _____
2. I go to school by bus. _____
3. We drive to work. _____
4. They hurry home every day. _____
5. You arrive late every morning. _____
6. They wash their hands before meals. _____
7. We play basketball twice a week. _____
8. They tidy their bedroom every day. _____
9. I usually get up at 7.30. _____
10. We listen to the radio at night. _____

C Fill in with do or does.

Pay attention to the auxiliary verb to do!

1. _____ Ronald play basketball?
2. _____ they work in an office?
3. _____ you like English?
4. _____ Susan usually go to a disco at the weekend?
5. _____ we walk to school?
6. _____ Bob and Patrick collect stamps?
7. _____ the cat sit by the fireplace?
8. _____ Grace finish school at 6.30?
9. _____ Mr. Walker read the newspaper in the evening?
10. _____ you have lunch in the canteen?

D Complete the sentences with do / don't / does / doesn't.

1. _____ you like Maths? Yes, I _____.
2. _____ Sally like reading? Yes, she _____.
3. _____ Mathew play handball every Saturday? No, he _____.
4. _____ Jane and Mary go to the cinema on Sunday? No, they _____.
5. _____ you like writing letters? No, I _____.
6. _____ Angela get up late? No, she _____.
7. _____ we spend the afternoon together? Yes, we _____.
8. _____ Paul like skate-boarding? No, he _____.
9. _____ the cat like lying in the sun? Yes, it _____.
10. _____ they speak German? No, they _____.

E Rewrite the sentences in the:

a) negative form
b) interrogative form

1. I get up at 8.00 everyday.

   a) _____.

   b) _____?

2. Grace has breakfast in the kitchen.

   a) _____.

   b) _____?

3. Mr. Robson drives to work every morning.

   a) _____.

   b) _____?

4. We usually do our homework after school.

   a) _____.

   b) _____?

5. Mrs. Davies works in an office.

   a) _____.

   b) _____?

6. Paul and Mark come back home together.

a) _____.

b) _____?

7. You go for a walk at night.

a) _____.

b) _____?