

## Present Simple

122 Listen and repeat. Then act out.



| Affirmative | Negative                 |                         | Interrogative  |
|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
|             | Long form                | Short form              |                |
| I talk      | I do not talk            | I don't talk            | Do I talk?     |
| You talk    | You do not talk          | You don't talk          | Do you talk?   |
| He talks    | He <b>does not</b> talk  | He <b>doesn't</b> talk  | Does he talk?  |
| She talks   | She <b>does not</b> talk | She <b>doesn't</b> talk | Does she talk? |
| It talks    | It <b>does not</b> talk  | It <b>doesn't</b> talk  | Does it talk?  |
| We talk     | We do not talk           | We don't talk           | Do we talk?    |
| You talk    | You do not talk          | You don't talk          | Do you talk?   |
| They talk   | They do not talk         | They don't talk         | Do they talk?  |

We use the **present simple** for permanent states or habitual actions.

### Spelling

verbs ending in **-ss, -sh, -ch, -x, -o** → **-es**

I watch – he **watches**

verbs ending in **consonant + y** → ~~y~~ + **-ies**

I study – he **studies**

BUT

I buy – he **buys**

### Time expressions used with the present simple:

|  |  |                                |  |
|--|--|--------------------------------|--|
| every day<br>in the afternoon<br>often | every morning<br>in the evening<br>never | every year<br>always<br>rarely | at night<br>usually<br>sometimes, etc. |
|--|--|--------------------------------|--|

### Questions and short answers

| Questions                       | Short answers   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Do I/we/you/they like cherries? | Yes, I/we/you/they <b>do</b> . / No, I/we/you/they <b>don't</b> . |
| Does he/she/it like cherries?   | Yes, he/she/it <b>does</b> . / No, he/she/it <b>doesn't</b> .     |

## 1 Write the verbs in the third person singular.

|                                       |                        |                        |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 I fly – it ..... <i>flies</i> ..... | 4 I play – she .....   | 7 I do – he .....      |
| 2 you run – he .....                  | 5 we hurry – he .....  | 8 you see – he .....   |
| 3 we catch – she .....                | 6 you stay – she ..... | 9 they take – he ..... |

## Pronunciation

2  Put the verbs in the correct column in the third person singular. Listen and check. Listen and repeat.

|       |       |       |       |      |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| work  | play  | come  | walk  | swim | visit | ride  | speak |
| watch | talk  | laugh | fish  | wash | close | open  | sit   |
| go    | dance | drive | sleep | stay | know  | teach | buy   |

| /s/                | /tʃ/                      | /z/                |
|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| /f/, /k/, /p/, /t/ | /s/, /ʃ/, /tʃ/, /dʒ/, /z/ | after other sounds |
| works,.....        | watches,.....             | goes,.....         |

## 3 Circle the correct form of the verb.

|   |  |
|---|--|
| 1 Chloe <b>watch</b> / <b>watches</b> TV every evening.             | 7 We <b>live</b> / <b>lives</b> in a big house.                      |
| 2 Our teacher <b>read</b> / <b>reads</b> lots of books.             | 8 The boys <b>hate</b> / <b>hates</b> fish.                          |
| 3 Dad <b>go</b> / <b>goes</b> to work by bus every morning.         | 9 My mum <b>wear</b> / <b>wears</b> a uniform to work.               |
| 4 I <b>drink</b> / <b>drinks</b> lots of water.                     | 10 He <b>ride</b> / <b>rides</b> his bike to school every morning.   |
| 5 Paul <b>fly</b> / <b>flies</b> his kite on windy days.            | 11 I usually <b>fish</b> / <b>fishes</b> in the river near my house. |
| 6 The children <b>play</b> / <b>plays</b> in the park on Saturdays. | 12 They are from Italy. They <b>speak</b> / <b>speaks</b> Italian.   |

## 4 Complete the sentences.

## Long Form

- She ..... *does* ..... not like apples.
- We ..... not work on Sundays.
- He ..... not help me.
- They ..... not drive fast.
- It ..... not fly.

## Short Form

- She ..... *doesn't* ..... like apples.
- We ..... work on Sundays.
- He ..... help me.
- They ..... drive fast.
- It ..... fly.

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## 5

Put the verbs in brackets into the *present simple*.

# Favourite PETS

by Amelia Saunders



My friend Cathy 1) ..... **has** ..... (have) a horse. It 2) ..... (be) a beautiful animal with big eyes and a long tail. Its name 3) ..... (be) Bella and it 4) ..... (love) people. It 5) ..... (not/kick) or bite. It 6) ..... (be) very friendly. It 7) ..... (eat) apples and hay but it 8) ..... (not/eat) meat. Horses 9) ..... (not/like) meat. Since it 10) ..... (rain) a lot in England, Bella 11) ..... (sleep) in a stable.

Cathy 12) ..... (ride) her horse every day after school. She 13) ..... (not/ride) into the town because there 14) ..... (be) a lot of traffic on the roads. There 15) ..... (not/be) many cars in the country, so Cathy 16) ..... (take) Bella there. It 17) ..... (not/be) easy looking after a horse but Cathy 18) ..... (enjoy) it very much!

## 6

Look at Ex. 5 again. Then mark the sentences as *true (T)* or *false (F)*.

Correct the false sentences.

1 Cathy has a dog.

*Cathy doesn't have a dog. She has a horse.*

2 Bella loves people.

3 Bella eats carrots.

4 Bella doesn't eat meat.

5 Cathy takes Bella to the country.

6 Horses sleep in a house.

## 7

Ask and answer questions with your partner as in the example:

1 get up early

2 like pop music

3 tidy your room

4 like sweets

5 go to bed late

6 like fruit

7 watch TV

8 drink milk

1 A: *Do you get up early?*

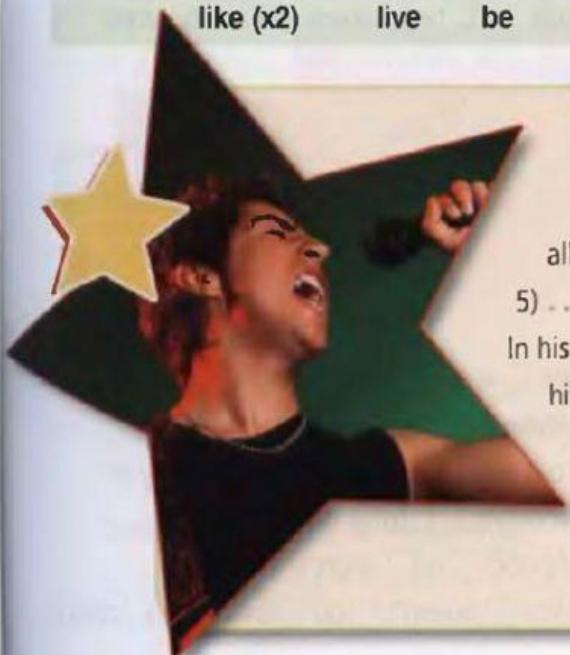
*B: Yes, I do. I get up at 7 o'clock every morning.*

2 A: *Do you like pop music?*

*B: No, I don't. I like rock music, etc.*

## 8 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in the list.

like (x2) live be travel make sing read go write



This is Michael Johnson. He 1) ... is ... a famous rock star. He 2) ..... in America. He 3) ..... all around the world and 4) ..... in rock concerts. He 5) ..... his songs and 6) ..... his own video clips. In his free time, he 7) ..... staying at home listening to his CDs. At weekends, he usually 8) ..... to expensive restaurants with his friends. He also 9) ..... a lot of books about strange things. I can't wait to see him perform live. I 10) ..... him so much.

9 Put the verbs in brackets into the *present simple*.

## A day in the life of a farmer

John Fields 1) ... is ... (be) a farmer. He 2) ..... (get up) at 5 o'clock in the morning. He 3) ..... (wash), 4) ..... (get) dressed and 5) ..... (have) breakfast. He 6) ..... (put on) his coat and 7) ..... (go) outside. He 8) ..... (milk) the cows early in the morning. His wife and children 9) ..... (not/get up) so early. They 10) ..... (get up) at 7 o'clock. His wife 11) ..... (feed) the chickens and then she 12) ..... (make) some tea for herself. The children 13) ..... (not/like) tea. They 14) ..... (drink) milk. At 7:30 am, John 15) ..... (take) the children to school. His wife 16) ..... (help) John on the farm and then she 17) ..... (do) the housework. At 4 o'clock, the children 18) ..... (come) home from school. Mrs Fields 19) ..... (cook) dinner. John 20) ..... (not/help) his wife with the cooking because he can't cook. In the evening, John and his wife 21) ..... (watch) TV or 22) ..... (listen) to the radio. The children 23) ..... (not/watch) TV. They 24) ..... (do) their homework. They all 25) ..... (go) to bed at 9:00 pm.

