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Present simple, adverbs of frequency



Hello. Can I ask you some questions for TeenLink, our school magazine?



Yes.

What do you do in your free time?



I usually visit a friend. We play computer games.

Do you always play computer games?



No, not always. We sometimes listen to music.

What about you?



We often go to the park. Dave usually plays basketball there.

And what do you do in your free time?



I play the piano and I paint!

Corky! You never play the piano and you never paint!



No, I don't. But I'm in TeenLink magazine!

- We use adverbs of frequency to say how often somebody does something.

always



They **always** play computer games.

usually



I **usually** go to a friend's house.

often



We **often** go to the park.

sometimes



We **sometimes** listen to music.

never



You **never** read books.

- Adverbs of frequency usually go before the main verb.

*She doesn't **always** go to bed early.*

*Do you **usually** go to the park?*

- *sometimes* and *often* have a different place in a negative sentence.

***Sometimes** they don't play basketball.*

*They don't visit their aunt **often**.*

1 Look at the chart on page 52. Add the correct adverb.

1		Peter <i>sometimes</i> listens to music with his friend.
2		Dave plays basketball in the park.
3		I buy magazines.
4		We watch TV on Fridays.
5		They go out with friends on Saturday evening.
6		Adam reads comics.
7		My sister drinks milk for breakfast.

2 Write the adverb in the correct place.

1	She rides her bike in the park. (sometimes)	<i>She sometimes rides her bike in the park</i>
2	You go to bed at 9 o'clock. (always)
3	We go to the cinema on Wednesday. (usually)
4	I read a magazine on Sunday morning. (often)
5	She eats fish. (never)
6	He does his homework on Fridays. (always).

3 Read and write.

What do you do in your free time?

	always	usually	often	sometimes	never
Peter		visit a friend		read comics	
Sylvia	listen to music				watch TV
Chris			skate in the park	play computer games	
Victoria		go out with friends			stay at home

1 Peter *usually* visits a friend. He *sometimes* reads comics.
 2 Sylvia
 3 Chris
 4 Victoria

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4 Look at Exercise 3 on page 53. Write questions and answers.
What do they do in their free time?

1 Sylvia / listen to music / always?
Does Sylvia always listen to music? Yes, she does.

2 Victoria / skate in the park / often?
.....

3 Chris / play computer games / sometimes?
.....

4 Victoria / stay at home / usually?
.....

5 Peter / watch TV / always?
.....

6 Sylvia / go out with friends / often?
.....

5 Read and complete the dialogues.



1 Dave: 1 My cousin Ralf never gets up early in the morning.
(My cousin Ralf / get up / never)
Zoe: What time does he get up?
Dave: 2 at twelve o'clock.
(he / get up / usually)
Brian: Does he go to bed late, too?
Dave: 3 to bed before five in the morning. (he / go / never)
Zoe: Oh, dear! Does he work?
Dave: Yes, he does. He's a night bus driver!

2 Brian: 4 at nine o'clock?
(you / go to bed / always)
Adam: No, not always. 5 at eight o'clock. (I / go to bed / sometimes)
Brian: That's early!
Adam: Yes, it is. But 6 at six o'clock in the morning and watch the cartoons on TV! (I / get up / often)

6 Choose and write about you.

always usually often sometimes never

- 1 have milk for breakfast I always have milk for breakfast.
- 2 do homework in the evening
- 3 watch TV in the morning
- 4 study for tests
- 5 see my friends at the weekend
- 6 go to the cinema on Mondays

7 Read and write.

Dear Zoe,

My best friends are Isabella and Dario. They ¹ live
 (live) near my house. We ² (play / often) at my
 house because I've got a big garden. Isabella ³
 (like) music. She ⁴ (sing) and she
⁵ (play) the guitar. Dario
⁶ (read / usually) comics and
⁷ (play) football.
 At the weekends, we ⁸ (go / sometimes) to the
 cinema or ⁹ (watch) a DVD at Dario's house.
 What about you? What ¹⁰ you and your friends
 (usually / do)?

Love
Giovanna

8 Write.

Write a letter to Giovanna. Write about your friends and what you usually do together.
 Use her letter in Exercise 7 as a model.

Dear Giovanna,

My best friends are

Love