

PRESENT SIMPLE & PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Present Simple



Present Continuous



S + verb

S + am/is/are (not) + V-ing

Express general truths

E.g. It rarely rains in the desert.

Describe actions happening now

E.g. She is reading a newspaper upstairs.

Indicate present habits

E.g. The birds return to the island every morning.

Express annoying habits (+ always)

E.g. You're always forgetting to pay the bills.

Express timetable events

E.g. The plane to London takes off at 6:30 a.m.

Describe future arrangements (informal)

E.g. She's getting married on 3 November.

Indicate permanent states



E.g. I like the new James Bond film.

Express temporary states

E.g. She's working at the museum until the end of this month.

Match

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| 1. We use Present Simple for | A. Facts and routines |
| 2. We use Present Continuous for | B. Now, temporary things, arranged future |



Present Simple

1. I _____ (drink) coffee every day.
2. I _____ (not / drink) coffee every day.
3. Mary _____ (drink) coffee every day.
4. Mary _____ (not/ drink) coffee every day.
5. _____ (you / drink) coffee every day?
Yes, I _____.

6. _____ (Mary / drink) coffee every day?
Yes, she _____.



7. Use "Be" (am/is/are):

I _____ a coconut. You _____ a coconut. He _____ a coconut.
She _____ a coconut. It is a _____. We _____ coconuts. They
are _____.

8. Choose:

We Use *SUPER S* with:

I You He She It We They



Present Continuous

1. Hey! Look at me! I _____ (jump) into the pool.
2. You _____ (jump). Well done!
3. We _____ (jump) now.
4. They _____ (jump) right now.
5. He _____ (jump) at the moment.
6. She _____ (not/jump) She is sitting.
7. _____ (it / jump)? Can you see it?
8. _____ (you/ jump)?
Yes, I _____.



Present Simple or Present Continuous?

- 1) James _____ (play) tennis now.
- 2) _____ (he / eat) rice every day?
- 3) We _____ (go) to the cinema tomorrow afternoon.
- 4) I _____ (not/work) today. Shall we do something?
- 5) What _____ (do) at the moment?
- 6) You _____ usually _____ (finish) your homework late.
- 7) Fi _____ (sleep) now.
- 8) The sun _____ (rise) in the east.
- 9) Stars _____ (shine) in the sky.
- 10) The Moon _____ (not/shine)
- 11) It _____ (reflect) light from the sun.
- 12) _____ (you/ like) shopping with your parents?
- 13) _____ (you/listen) to me? You seem lost.
- 14) The train _____ (leave) at 5.
- 15) I _____ (stay) with my grandparents this weekend.
- 16) Listen! The birds _____ (sing)
- 17) My sister sometimes _____ (read) comic books.
- 18) Do you _____ (water) the plants every day?
- 19) I _____ (want) to go on a holiday.
- 20) _____ (you / understand) what I say?

