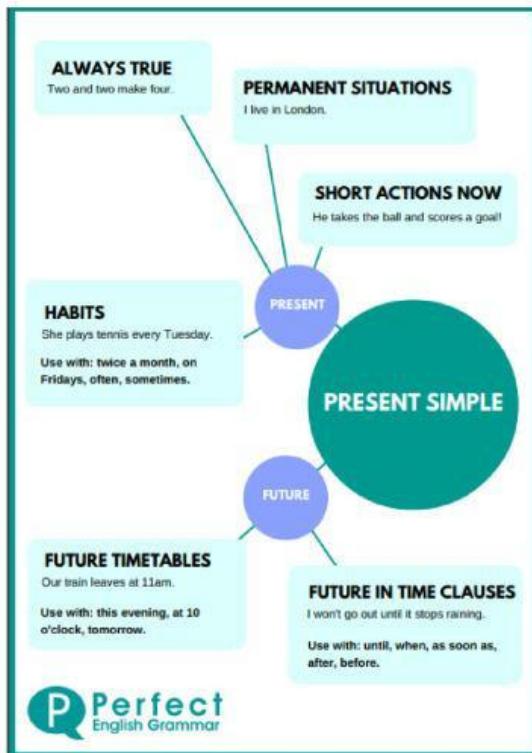


The Present Simple Tense (also called the Simple Present Tense)



The positive is really easy. It's just the verb, with an extra 's' if the subject is 'he', 'she', or 'it'. Let's take the verb **'play'** as an example.

Positive	Don't forget the 's' ! Even really advanced students do this
I play	
you play	
he plays	
she plays	
it plays	
we play	
they play	

Examples:

To make the negative form, you need to use 'do not' (don't) or 'does not' (doesn't).

Negative (of 'play')	Negative short form
I do not play	I don't play
you do not play	you don't play
he does not play	he doesn't play
she does not play	she doesn't play
it does not play	it doesn't play
we do not play	we don't play
they do not play	they don't play

Examples:

Just like with 'be', if you'd like to make a 'wh-' question, you put the question word at the front.

Wh- questions
Where do I play?
What do you play?
Why does he play?
Who does she play?
How does it play?
When do we play?
How do they play?

Examples:

I (be) in a cafe now.
(she/play) tennis every week?

They (go) to the cinema every Wednesday.
(she/be) a singer?

You (find) the weather here cold.
(they/be) on the bus?

Lucy (ride) her bicycle to work.

Why (he/be) in France?

I (not/play) the piano very often.

It (not/be) cold today.

We (be) from Portugal.
(we/make) too much noise at night?

Where (Harry/study)?
(it/be) foggy today?

We (not/be) late.

They (not/like) animals.

Where (you/be)?

He (not/be) an accountant.
(the dog/eat) chicken?