

UNIT 2: DAILY ROUTINES

LESSON 2: THE PRESENT SIMPLE TENSE (ORDINARY VERBS)

I. WHAT IS THE PRESENT SIMPLE?

Note: We use this tense to talk about our daily habits, timetables and things that are permanently true.



II. SENTENCE STRUCTURES (FORM)

Subjects	Positive (+)	Negative (-)	Short answer
I / You / We / They (Plural noun)	S + V – bare e.g: They study business	S + do not (don't) + V-bare e.g: They don't work part - time	Yes, I do No, they don't
He/ She/ It (Singular noun)	S + V - s/es e.g: She lives in Ha Noi city	S + does not (doesn't) + V- s/es e.g: He doesn't skip lectures	Yes, she does No, she doesn't

Question form (?):

- **Do** + I / You / We / They + V-bare...? → **Do** you live near the university?
- **Does** + He/ She/ It + V-bare ? → **Does** she play tennis?

NOTE: Spelling rules for He/She/It (Third – Person Singular Verbs)

Rule	Verb Ending In...	Changes To...	Examples
Most verbs	General ending	Add -s	work → works, speak → speaks
Ch, Sh, S, X, Z, O	-ch, -sh, -s, -x, -o	Add -es	watch → watches, pass → passes, do → does
Consonant + Y	-y (preceded by consonant)	Drop -y, add -les	study → studies, try → tries
Vowel + Y	-y (preceded by a, e, o, u)	Just add -s	play → plays, buy → buys

III. ADVERB OF FREQUENCY:

- **100% — Always** (Luôn luôn — 7/7 ngày)
Example: I **always** check my timetable before class.
- **80% - 90% — Usually / Normally** (Thường xuyên — 5-6/7 ngày)
Example: She **usually** studies at the library.
- **60% - 70% — Often / Frequently** (Thường thường — 4/7 ngày)
Example: They **often** discuss group projects after lectures.

IV. PRACTICE:

Exercise 1: Choose the correct answer.

1. He usually _____ TV every evening.
 - A. watch
 - B. watches
 - C. watching
2. They _____ in a big house.
 - A. lives
 - B. living
 - C. live
3. My sister often _____ breakfast at 7 a.m.
 - A. has
 - B. have
 - C. having
4. I _____ my homework after dinner.
 - A. does
 - B. do
 - C. doing
5. The sun _____ in the east.
 - A. rise
 - B. rises
 - C. rising