

PRESENT SIMPLE

Elementary University Students

I. WHAT IS THE PRESENT SIMPLE?

The **present simple tense** is a verb form used in English to talk about

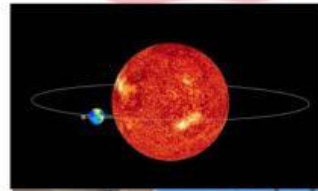
Daily routines

Example: I wake up at 5 o'clock



General facts

Example: The Earth goes around the Sun



Timetables and fixed schedules

Example: The train leaves at 8:00 AM.



II. FORM

Type	I / You / We / They	He / She / It
Affirmative (+)	S + V1	S + V-s / -es
Negative (-)	S + do not + V1	S + does not + V1
Question (?)	Do + S + V1?	Does + S + V1?

Remember: after **DOES / DOESN'T**, use the base verb.

Does she work? ✓ Does she works? ✗

III. EXAMPLES

Positive	I study English every day. / She works in an office.
Negative	I don't study on Sunday. / He doesn't work at night.
Question	Do you study English? / Does she work here?
Short answers	Yes, I do. / No, I don't. / Yes, she does. / No, she doesn't.

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IV. VERB + S / ES

Rule	Examples
Most verbs: + s	work → works; play → plays
-s, -sh, -ch, -x, -o: + es	watch → watches; go → goes
consonant + y: y → ies	study → studies; try → tries
vowel + y: + s	play → plays; enjoy → enjoys

V. ADVERBS OF FREQUENCY

always → usually → often → sometimes → rarely → never

Position	Example
Before the main verb	She <u>often walks</u> to school.
After BE	He <u>is always</u> late.

VI. TIME EXPRESSIONS



VII. QUICK PRACTICE

Choose the correct form.

- 1. She (work / works) in a hotel.
- 2. They (study / studies) English every day.
- 3. He (don't / doesn't) like coffee.
- 4. (Do / Does) you play football?

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- 5. My brother (go / goes) to university by bus.