

Simple Present Tense

■ WHAT IS IT?

Definition

We use the simple present to talk about things that are always true, happen regularly, or are facts.

When to use it

Habits & routines · Daily schedules ·
Facts & general truths · Feelings & opinions ·
Permanent situations

■ HOW TO FORM IT

Positive: Subject + verb (base form)

With *he / she / it* — add **-s** or **-es** to the verb

Negative: Subject + do/does + not + verb

I/you/we/they → **don't** | *he/she/it* → **doesn't**

Question: Do/Does + subject + verb + ?

■ EXAMPLES

Type	Example sentence	Note
Positive	I drink coffee every morning.	Habit / routine
Positive	She works in a hospital.	+s for he/she/it
Positive	Water boils at 100°C.	Scientific fact
Negative	He doesn't like spicy food.	doesn't + base verb
Negative	They don't live in Dublin.	don't + base verb
Question	Do you speak English?	Do + subject + verb
Question	Does she play tennis?	Does for he/she/it

■ TIME EXPRESSIONS TO REMEMBER

every day / week / month / year · always · usually · often · sometimes · never · on Mondays · in the morning · at night

