

The Verb "To Know": Present Simple (All Forms)

A1 English Worksheet – Lesson 1: know/knowns, don't know/doesn't know, and questions

Language Focus

We use know to talk about facts, people, and information we have in our minds.

Affirmative	I/you/we/they: know; he/she/it: knows	<i>I know the answer. She knows many languages.</i>
Negative	don't know / doesn't know	<i>I don't know his name. He doesn't know the way.</i>
Yes/No Question	Do...know...? / Does...know...?	<i>Do you know her? Does he know the truth?</i>
Short Answer	Yes/No + subject + do/does(n't)	<i>Yes, I do. No, she doesn't.</i>
Wh- Question	Wh-word + do/does + subject + know...?	<i>What do you know about this? How does she know him?</i>

Remember: "know" is a stative verb – it describes a mental state, not an action. We never use the continuous (-ing) form. "I am knowing the answer" is wrong – the correct form is simply "I know the answer".

Listening: My Friend the Trivia Expert

Context: describing a knowledgeable friend

Listen to your teacher read this aloud, or read it yourself. Then complete Exercise 1.

My friend Sam knows almost everything.

He knows capital cities, historical dates, and even obscure sports facts.

I don't know how he remembers it all!

His sister doesn't know as much trivia, but she knows a lot about music.

We don't know many people who can beat Sam at quiz night.

Everyone at the pub knows him as 'the walking encyclopedia.'

1. True or False

Context: My Friend the Trivia Expert (from the listening)

1. Sam knows a lot of facts. True / False
2. Sam's sister knows more trivia than him. True / False
3. The speaker knows how Sam remembers everything. True / False
4. Few people can beat Sam at quiz night. True / False
5. People at the pub know Sam's nickname. True / False

2. Multiple Choice

Context: a geography quiz

1. I ___ the capital of France.
know / knows
2. My teacher ___ every country's flag.
know / knows
3. We ___ most European capitals.
know / knows
4. She ___ the longest river in the world.
know / knows
5. They ___ a lot about world geography.
know / knows
6. He ___ every mountain range by name.
know / knows

3. Matching

Context: question to answer

Draw a line to match each question to the correct answer.

1. Do you know her phone number? *She knows because she studied it.*

2. Does he know the way to the station? *No, I don't know it.*

3. What do you know about this company? *Yes, they do.*

4. How does she know so much about art? *I know it's very successful.*

5. Do they know the rules of the game? *Yes, he knows it well.*

4. Gap Fill

Context: an old friendship

Complete the text with know, knows, don't know, or doesn't know.

I _____ my best friend since childhood. She _____ everything about me. We _____ many secrets from each other. Her family _____ about our plans yet. I _____ she will support me. We _____ we can trust each other completely.

5. Do/Does Sort

Sort these subjects into the correct group: I, You, We, They, My neighbours, The students, He, She, It, My uncle, The manager

do:

does:

6. Word Order

Context: negatives and questions

Put the words in the correct order to make a sentence.

1. don't / I / know / the / answer.
2. she / Does / know / your / name?
3. don't / We / know / each / other / well.
4. do / What / you / know / about / this?
5. doesn't / He / know / the / truth.

7. Right or Wrong?

Context: a general knowledge test

Is the sentence right or wrong? Circle your answer. If it's wrong, write the correct form.

1. She know the answer. Right / Wrong: _____
2. I am knowing the truth. Right / Wrong: _____
3. He doesn't know the rules. Right / Wrong: _____
4. They doesn't know much about history. Right / Wrong: _____
5. We know a lot about science. Right / Wrong: _____

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A1 Teacher Answer Key – Lesson 1

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1. True or False - Answers

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| 2. Sam's sister knows more trivia than him. | False |
| 3. The speaker knows how Sam remembers everything. | False |
| 4. Few people can beat Sam at quiz night. | True |
| 5. People at the pub know Sam's nickname. | True |

2. Multiple Choice - Answers

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| 2. My teacher ___ every country's flag. | knows |
| 3. We ___ most European capitals. | know |
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3. Matching - Answers

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| 1. Do you know her phone number? | No, I don't know it. |
| 2. Does he know the way to the station? | Yes, he knows it well. |
| 3. What do you know about this company? | I know it's very successful. |
| 4. How does she know so much about art? | She knows because she studied it. |
| 5. Do they know the rules of the game? | Yes, they do. |

4. Gap Fill - Answers (in order)

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| 1. Blank 1 | know |
| 2. Blank 2 | knows |
| 3. Blank 3 | don't know |
| 4. Blank 4 | doesn't know |
| 5. Blank 5 | know |
| 6. Blank 6 | know |

5. Do/Does Sort - Answers

do: I, You, We, They, My neighbours, The students
does: He, She, It, My uncle, The manager

6. Word Order - Answers

1. I don't know the answer.
2. Does she know your name?
3. We don't know each other well.
4. What do you know about this?
5. He doesn't know the truth.

7. Right or Wrong? - Answers

1. She know the answer. **Wrong - knows**
2. I am knowing the truth. **Wrong - know (stative verb, no continuous form)**
3. He doesn't know the rules. **Right**
4. They doesn't know much about history. **Wrong - don't**
5. We know a lot about science. **Right**