

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

A1 English Worksheet – Lesson 1: take/takes, don't take/doesn't take, and questions

Language Focus

We use take for transport, time, medicine, and many other everyday actions.

Affirmative	I/you/we/they: take; he/she/it: takes	<i>I take the bus to work. She takes a shower every morning.</i>
Negative	don't take / doesn't take	<i>I don't take sugar in my coffee. He doesn't take criticism well.</i>
Yes/No Question	Do...take...? / Does...take...?	<i>Do you take the train often? Does she take vitamins?</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 + take...?	<i>What time do you take your lunch break? How long does it take to get there?</i>

Remember: don't confuse "take" and "bring"! We take something away from where we are (take your umbrella when you leave), but we bring something toward where we are (bring me the umbrella when you arrive). They describe opposite directions.

Listening: My Daily Commute

Context: describing a daily commute

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

Every day, I take the 8 o'clock train to the city.

It takes about forty minutes to get to my office.

My colleague doesn't take the train; she takes her car instead because she lives further away.

We don't take the same route home in the evening because of traffic.

My brother takes the bus, but it takes longer than the train.

On Fridays, I take a half day and finish work early.

1. True or False

Context: My Daily Commute (from the listening)

1. The speaker takes the train to work. True / False
2. The commute takes about forty minutes. True / False
3. The colleague takes the train too. True / False
4. The brother's bus is faster than the train. True / False
5. The speaker works a full day on Fridays. True / False

2. Multiple Choice

Context: a doctor's appointment

1. I ___ my medicine every morning.
take / takes
2. The nurse ___ your blood pressure first.
take / takes
3. We ___ turns seeing the doctor.
take / takes
4. She ___ good care of her patients.
take / takes
5. They ___ appointments online now.
take / takes
6. He ___ a break between patients.
take / takes

3. Matching

Context: question to answer

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

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| 1. How long does it take to get there? | <i>Yes, they do.</i> |
| 2. Do you take any medication? | <i>It takes about an hour.</i> |
| 3. Does she take the bus to school? | <i>I usually take paracetamol.</i> |
| 4. What do you take for a headache? | <i>No, I don't take anything.</i> |
| 5. Do they take holidays in summer? | <i>Yes, she takes it every day.</i> |

4. Gap Fill

Context: planning a trip

Complete the text with take, takes, don't take, or doesn't take.

We _____ a flight to Rome next month. My husband _____ much luggage when he travels. I _____ any risks with travel insurance. Our tour guide _____ care of all the bookings. We _____ the metro because we prefer walking. The whole trip _____ ten days.

5. Do/Does Sort

Sort these subjects into the correct group: I, You, We, They, My parents, The tourists, He, She, It, My sister, The airline

do:

does:

6. Word Order

Context: negatives and questions

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

1. don't / I / take / sugar / in / my / tea.
2. he / Does / take / the / metro / to / work?
3. don't / We / take / long / breaks.
4. long / How / does / it / take?
5. doesn't / She / take / criticism / well.

7. Right or Wrong?

Context: a travel advice column

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

1. She take the earlier flight usually. Right / Wrong: _____
2. Please bring your suitcase to the airport when you leave home. Right / Wrong: _____
3. He doesn't take much luggage. Right / Wrong: _____
4. They doesn't take the scenic route. Right / Wrong: _____
5. We take our passports everywhere. 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. The commute takes about forty minutes. | True |
| 3. The colleague takes the train too. | False |
| 4. The brother's bus is faster than the train. | False |
| 5. The speaker works a full day on Fridays. | False |

2. Multiple Choice - Answers

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3. Matching - Answers

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| 3. Does she take the bus to school? | Yes, she takes it every day. |
| 4. What do you take for a headache? | I usually take paracetamol. |
| 5. Do they take holidays in summer? | Yes, they do. |

4. Gap Fill - Answers (in order)

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| 1. Blank 1 | take |
| 2. Blank 2 | doesn't take |
| 3. Blank 3 | don't take |
| 4. Blank 4 | takes |
| 5. Blank 5 | don't take |
| 6. Blank 6 | takes |

5. Do/Does Sort - Answers

do: I, You, We, They, My parents, The tourists
does: He, She, It, My sister, The airline

6. Word Order - Answers

1. I don't take sugar in my tea.
2. Does he take the metro to work?
3. We don't take long breaks.
4. How long does it take?
5. She doesn't take criticism well.

7. Right or Wrong? - Answers

1. She take the earlier flight usually.
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Wrong - takes

Wrong - take (moving away from home, use 'take')

Right

Wrong - don't

Right