

# Simple Present Exercises

Level: A1, A2

## How the simple present works

The simple present describes habits, routines, facts and permanent situations — things that are generally true, not only happening now.

**Form:** I/you/we/they work — he/she/it works (add -s in third person singular)

**Negative:** don't / doesn't + base verb: She doesn't work on Sundays.

**Question:** Do/Does + subject + base verb: Does he speak French?

**Use:** habits (I run every day), facts (Water boils at 100°C), schedules (The train leaves at 9)

**Signal words:** always, usually, often, sometimes, never, every day, on Mondays

## Exercise 1: Choose the correct form

Select the correct option to complete each sentence.

1. My sister \_\_\_ English at a primary school.  
a) teach   b) teaches   c) teaching
2. \_\_\_ they \_\_\_ in this neighborhood?  
a) Does / live   b) Do / live   c) Do / lives
3. He \_\_\_ meat — he's a vegetarian.  
a) doesn't eat   b) don't eat   c) doesn't eats
4. The museum \_\_\_ at 9 a.m. every day.  
a) open   b) opens   c) is opening
5. I \_\_\_ to music while I work.  
a) often listen   b) listen often   c) am often listening

## Exercise 2: Complete the sentences

Type the correct simple present form of the verb in brackets.

6. She \_\_\_ to work by bike. (go)
7. My parents \_\_\_ in a small village. (live)
8. He \_\_\_ TV after dinner. (watch)
9. The baby \_\_\_ a lot during the day. (cry)
10. Our class \_\_\_ at nine o'clock. (start)

## Exercise 3: Put the words in order

Click the words in the correct order to build the sentence.

11. Put the words in the correct order: **never / she / coffee / drinks**

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12. Put the words in the correct order: **does / start / when / the film / ?**

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13. Put the words in the correct order: **don't / we / on Sundays / work**

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14. Put the words in the correct order: **your brother / does / speak / English / ?**

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#### **Exercise 4: True or false?**

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*Decide if each statement about the simple present is true or false.*

15. The sentence "She don't like fish" is correct. True / False

16. We use the simple present for general facts like "The sun rises in the east." True / False

17. In the question "Does he works here?", the verb form is correct. True / False

18. 'Always' normally goes before the main verb: "I always walk to school." True / False

# Answer key

## Exercise 1: Choose the correct form

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1. b) teaches
2. b) Do / live
3. a) doesn't eat
4. b) opens
5. a) often listen

## Exercise 2: Complete the sentences

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6. goes
7. live
8. watches
9. cries
10. starts

## Exercise 3: Put the words in order

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11. she never drinks coffee
12. when does the film start ?
13. we don't work on Sundays
14. does your brother speak English ?

## Exercise 4: True or false?

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15. False
16. True
17. False
18. True