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Present Simple

Positive and negative

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I We You They	work	don't (do not) work
He She It	works	doesn't (does not) work

I **work** in an office.

She **doesn't work** every day.

We use the Present Simple for daily routines and activities. With *I, we, you* and *they* the Present Simple positive form is the same as the infinitive. With *he, she* and *it* we add *-s* to the infinitive, but note these exceptions:

verbs ending -ch, -s, -sh, -x and -o	add -es	watch → watches go → goes
verbs ending consonant + -y	remove -y and add -ies	carry → carries

Note: verbs ending with a vowel + *-y* are regular: *play* → *plays*

The third person of *have* → *has*

Questions

Do Where do	I we you they	work?
Does When does	he she it	

In questions, don't add *-s* to the verb.

Note the short answers:

Yes, I/we/you/they do.
he/she/it does.

No, I/we/you/they don't.
he/she/it doesn't.

this, that, these, those

	Singular	Plural
near	this	these
far	that	those



What's **this**?



Do you like **these** shoes?



Look at **that** car!



Those bags are horrible.

Noun plurals

We add *-s* to nouns to make the regular noun plural:

book → *books*, *picture* → *pictures*

There are some special spelling rules:

nouns ending -ch, -s, -sh, -x	add -es	watch → watches address → addresses
most nouns ending -f	remove -f and add -ves	scarf → scarves knife → knives
nouns ending consonant + -y	remove -y and add -ies	diary → diaries city → cities

Note: nouns ending with a vowel + *-y* are regular: *day* → *days*

Some plural nouns are completely irregular: *child* → *children*

Key vocabulary

Personal possessions

bag belt book clothes coat diary digital camera
DVD player laptop computer magazine mobile phone
MP3 player scarf shoe watch

Basic verbs/verb phrases

Routines:

get up wash have breakfast eat leave home
go to work/school start work work have lunch finish work
get home have dinner watch (TV) go to bed sleep

Note these phrases:

have breakfast/lunch/dinner/fun/problems/parties
go to bed/a nightclub/a restaurant/school/work BUT go home

Other verbs:

check clean dry feed help invent like make meet
organise play sell swim talk wait walk



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