



1st, 2nd, 3rd Person Review it!

Verb Conjugation - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Person

Which of the following correctly describes the conjugation rule for the 3rd person singular (he, she, it)?

- a) Use the base form of the verb for all subjects.
- b) Add 's' or 'es' to the base form of the verb.
- c) Use 'do not' (don't) with the base form of the verb.
- d) Use 'are' for all subjects regardless of number.

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Which of the following is correct for forming negative sentences in the present simple tense?

- a) Use 'is not' with the base form of the verb.
- b) Use 'do not' (don't) or 'does not' (doesn't) with the base form of the verb.
- c) Add 's' or 'es' to the main verb when making negatives.
- d) Use 'was not' with the base form of the verb.

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Which form of the verb is used with 'you' in the present simple tense?

- a) Base form of the verb.
- b) Verb with 's' or 'es.'
- c) Past form of the verb.
- d) Infinitive form of the verb with 'to.'

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Which of the following sentences correctly forms a question in the present simple tense?

- a) She does like pizza?
- b) Does she likes pizza?
- c) Does she like pizza?
- d) She do like pizza?

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What is the correct conjugation for the verb 'to be' with 'we'?

- a) We is
- b) We are
- c) We am
- d) We was

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She ____ (to go) to the market every Saturday.

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They ____ (not/to eat) meat.

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____ (to do) he play the piano?

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We ____ (to be) excited about the trip.

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You ____ (to need) to finish your homework before dinner.

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Substitute the subject with the correct pronoun.

Mrs. Glare is the friendliest person on earth!

A bird is sitting on my windowsill.

The Lakers are going to stay at our place for 3 days.

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Fill in the gaps with the verb "to be" in the correct form.

My parents ____ watching a movie, Steve ____ playing outside, and I ____ melting on the couch.

____ you free tonight? I'd really appreciate if we could spend the evening together.

It ____ so cold yesterday! And as always, I had already put my winter clothes away into the closet.

Definition

Verb conjugation changes a verb form to match the **person** (1st, 2nd, 3rd) and **number** (singular/plural), and sometimes **time/aspect** (tense). English shows person most clearly in the present simple and with **be**.

Core uses

- Show agreement with the subject (I/you/he/she/it/we/they).
- Mark tense/aspect via auxiliaries (do/does, am/is/are, have/has).
- Form negatives and questions with auxiliaries.
- Express habits, facts, and states in present; finished events in past.
- Support passive and progressive forms with **be**; perfect with **have**.

Position rules

- **Statements:** Subject + conjugated verb (+ object/complement).
- **Negatives (present simple):** Subject + do/does + not + base verb; with **be** → Subject + **be** + not.
- **Questions (present simple):** Do/Does + subject + base verb? With **be** → **Be** + subject...?
- **Adverbs of frequency:** Before main verb (She **often eats**), after **be** (She **is often** tired).
- **Third-person present:** He/She/It + verb-s/-es/-ies (The train **leaves** at six).

Exceptions & caveats

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- **Be** is irregular: I **am**, you/we/they **are**, he/she/it **is**; past: **was/were**.
- **Have/Do/Go** change in 3rd singular: **has/does/goes**.
- Spelling: -ch/-sh/-ss/-x/-o → **-es** (watch→**watches**); consonant + y → **-ies** (carry→**carries**).
- After **do/does/did**, use **base** verb (Does he **like** coffee?).
- **Modals** (can, will, must, should, may) do **not** change by person.
- Imperatives and infinitives use the **base** form (to **read**, **Open** the door).

Mini table of forms (present & key auxiliaries)

Person	Present simple ending	be	have	do	Past simple (regular)
I	base (work)	am	have	do	worked (same for all persons)
You	base (work)	are	have	do	worked
He/She/It	-s/-es/-ies (works)	is	has	does	worked
We	base (work)	are	have	do	worked
They	base (work)	are	have	do	worked

10 high-frequency items

Item	Meaning	Typical placement	Example (≤12 words)
be	exist/state	Subject + be + complement	I am late today.
have	possess/experience	Subject + have/has + object	She has two cats.
do	perform	Subject + do/does + object	They do the chores.

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go	move/travel	Subject + go/goes + place	He goes to work early.
make	create/cause	Subject + make/makes + object	I make dinner on Fridays.
get	obtain/become	Subject + get/gets + object/complement	You get emails daily.
take	carry/consume	Subject + take/takes + object	We take the early train.
say	speak/express	Subject + say/says + clause	She says it's fine.
know	understand/remem ber	Subject + know/knows + object/clause	He knows the answer.
need	require	Subject + need/needs + object/infinitive	I need more time.

6 Do/Don't tips

1. **Do** add -s/-es/-ies for he/she/it in present simple.
2. **Don't** add -s to the main verb after **does/doesn't**.
3. **Do** use **am/are/is** correctly: I am; you/we/they are; he/she/it is.
4. **Don't** use **was** with you/they; use **were** in the past.
5. **Do** place adverbs before main verbs, but **after be**.
6. **Don't** change **modal** verbs by person (no *cans*, *wills*).

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Rank	Item	Brief gloss (≤6 words)	CEFR	Typical placement	Example (≤12 words; bold target)
1	be	exist; identity; state	A2	Subject + be + complement	They are ready now.
2	have	possess; experience; auxiliary	A2	Subject + have/has + object	She has two cats.
3	do	perform; auxiliary	A2	Subject + do/does + object	He does homework after dinner.
4	go	move; travel	A2	Subject + go/goes + place	He goes to work early.
5	get	obtain; become	A2	Subject + get/gets + object/complement	They get many emails daily.
6	make	create; cause	A2	Subject + make/makes + object	We make dinner on Fridays.
7	say	speak; express	A2	Subject + say/says + clause	She says it's fine.
8	know	understand; be aware of	A2	Subject + know/knows + object/clause	I know the answer.
9	need	require	A2	Subject + need/needs + object/infinitive	You need more time.
10	want	desire	A2	Subject + want/wants + object/infinitive	They want a bigger room.
11	like	enjoy; prefer	A2	Subject + like/likes + object/gerund	He likes spicy food.
12	think	consider; believe	B1	Subject + think/thinks + clause	I think it's a mistake.
13	see	notice; view	A2	Subject + see/sees + object	We see the mountains clearly.

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14	come	arrive	A2	Subject + come/comes + place	She comes home before nine.
15	take	carry; choose; consume	B1	Subject + take/takes + object	You take the early train.
16	give	provide	B1	Subject + give/gives + object	They give helpful feedback.
17	use	employ; utilize	B1	Subject + use/uses + object	He uses this tool daily.
18	work	do a job	A2	Subject + work/works + place/time	I work from home today.
19	try	attempt	B1	Subject + try/tries + object/infinitive	She tries new recipes weekly.
20	keep	continue; store	B1	Subject + keep/keeps + object	We keep records carefully.
21	find	discover; locate	B1	Subject + find/finds + object	They find the keys quickly.
22	put	place; set	B1	Subject + put/puts + object + place	He puts the files here.
23	tell	inform; say to someone	B1	Subject + tell/tells + person + object	I tell them the truth.
24	call	phone; name	B1	Subject + call/calls + object	She calls her parents weekly.
25	start	begin	A2	Subject + start/starts + object/time	The meeting starts at noon.

Verb Conjugation (1st, 2nd, and 3rd Person) - Example Bank (Graded)

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A2 | I **cook** rice every evening. | 1st person present simple.

A2 | You **open** the window carefully. | 2nd person present simple.

A2 | She **walks** to school before sunrise. | 3rd person -s agreement.

A2 | We **played** cards after dinner yesterday. | 1st person past simple.

A2 | He **likes** hot tea with lemon. | 3rd person -s agreement.

A2 | I **need** a ticket for tonight. | 1st person present simple.

A2 | You **were** late to the class. | 2nd person past of be.

A2 | They **watch** cartoons on Saturday mornings. | 3rd person plural present.

A2 | She **has** two brothers in Canada. | 3rd person "has" form.

A2 | We **are** happy with this photo. | 1st person plural be.

B1 | I **borrowed** your charger during the meeting. | 1st person past simple.

B1 | You **plan** a picnic despite the forecast. | 2nd person present simple.

B1 | He **chooses** quieter cafes for study. | 3rd person -s agreement.

B1 | We **invited** neighbors to try our dumplings. | 1st person past simple.

B1 | She **forgot** her keys at the theater. | 3rd person past simple.

B1 | You **explained** the rules clearly yesterday. | 2nd person past simple.

B1 | I **agree** with your travel suggestion. | 1st person present simple.

B1 | They **prefer** morning flights over red-eyes. | 3rd person plural present.

B1 | He **drives** carefully in heavy rain. | 3rd person present simple.

B1 | We **finished** the puzzle before sunset. | 1st person past simple.

B2 | I **have** booked seats for Friday's premiere. | 1st person present perfect.

B2 | You **handled** the complaint with remarkable patience. | 2nd person past simple.

B2 | She **interprets** feedback before revising drafts. | 3rd person present simple.

B2 | We **recommend** postponing the launch until October. | 1st person present simple.

B2 | They **considered** multiple suppliers during procurement. | 3rd person past simple.

B2 | He **managed** remote teams across continents. | 3rd person past simple.

B2 | I **appreciate** concise replies in long threads. | 1st person present simple.

B2 | You **validate** logs before deploying updates. | 2nd person present simple.

B2 | She **negotiated** better terms after the audit. | 3rd person past simple.

B2 | We **forecast** revenue using regional indicators. | 1st person present simple.

C1 | I **synthesize** disparate findings into a coherent narrative. | 1st person present simple.

C1 | You **scrutinize** anomalies before endorsing conclusions. | 2nd person present simple.

C1 | She **orchestrates** cross-functional workshops to resolve misalignment. | 3rd person present simple.

C1 | We **calibrated** models against outlier-heavy datasets. | 1st person past simple.

C1 | They **mitigate** risks through layered controls and rehearsals. | 3rd person plural present.

C1 | He **articulates** constraints without undermining momentum. | 3rd person present simple.

C1 | I **triaged** incidents and escalations during the outage. | 1st person past simple.

C1 | You **contextualize** metrics for nontechnical stakeholders. | 2nd person present simple.

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C1 | She **streamlined** onboarding by automating approvals. | 3rd person past simple.

C1 | We **reconcile** quarterly targets with ethical commitments. | 1st person present simple.

Verb Conjugation (1st, 2nd, and 3rd Person) - Fill-In Drills (30 Gaps)

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1. [A2] She ____ (have) two brothers.
2. [A2] They ____ (be) in Plovdiv now.
3. [A2] He ____ (go) to work by bus.
4. [A2] I ____ (drink) coffee every morning.
5. [A2] You ____ (be) late for class today.
6. [A2] We ____ (watch) TV in the evenings.
7. [A2] Does she ____ (speak) English?
8. [A2] He ____ (do) not like spicy food.
9. [B1] We ____ (have) finished the report.
10. [B1] She ____ (have) been to Vienna twice.
11. [B1] I ____ (know) the answer by heart.
12. [B1] You ____ (need) to call your mother.
13. [B1] Why ____ (do) they always arrive late?
14. [B1] There ____ (be) a problem with your card.
15. [B2] Neither of the plans ____ (be) affordable.
16. [B2] Each participant ____ (need) a badge at check-in.
17. [B2] Hardly ever ____ (do) he arrive on time.
18. [B2] A pair of shoes ____ (be) missing.
19. [C1] If I ____ (be) in your position, I'd wait.
20. [C1] I insist that she ____ (be) on time.
21. [C1] Only after signing ____ (do) he notice the error.
22. [B2] The number of applicants ____ (be) increasing.
23. [B1] My parents ____ (live) in Burgas.
24. [A2] I ____ (do) not understand this rule.
25. [A2] ____ (do) you like the new teacher?
26. [B1] She rarely ____ (make) mistakes in emails.
27. [B2] Everyone ____ (keep) their cameras off during testing.
28. [C1] No sooner ____ (do) we arrive than it started raining.
29. [B1] She ____ (be) usually early for meetings.
30. [A2] It ____ (rain) a lot in April here.

Answer Key

1. She **has** two brothers.
2. They **are** in Plovdiv now.
3. He **goes** to work by bus.
4. I **drink** coffee every morning.

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5. You **are** late for class today.
6. We **watch** TV in the evenings.
7. Does she **speak** English?
8. He **does** not like spicy food.
9. We **have** finished the report.
10. She **has** been to Vienna twice.
11. I **know** the answer by heart.
12. You **need** to call your mother.
13. Why **do** they always arrive late?
14. There **is** a problem with your card.
15. Neither of the plans **is** affordable.
16. Each participant **needs** a badge at check-in.
17. Hardly ever **does** he arrive on time.
18. A pair of shoes **is** missing.
19. If I **were** in your position, I'd wait.
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28. No sooner **did** we arrive than it started raining.

29. She **is** usually early for meetings.

30. It **rains** a lot in April here.

Exercises

Base: I ____ to the gym on Mondays.

Task: (Add) Add the correct present simple form of “go” for “I”.

Base: You ____ very fast.

Task: (Add) Add the correct present simple form of “run” for “you”.

Base: She ____ coffee before work.

Task: (Add) Add the correct present simple form of “drink” for “she”.

Base: We ____ in Sofia.

Task: (Add) Add the correct present simple form of “live” for “we”.

Base: He ____ his keys often.

Task: (Add) Add the correct present simple form of “lose” for “he”.

Base: Every morning reads Maya the news.

Task: (Move) Move the conjugated verb after the subject; keep all words.

Base: In winter are they usually tired.

Task: (Move) Move the conjugated verb after the subject; keep all words.

Base: On Fridays play we board games.

Task: (Move) Move the conjugated verb after the subject; keep all words.

Base: After lunch finishes he the report.

Task: (Move) Move the conjugated verb after the subject; keep all words.

Base: At seven leaves the bus.

Task: (Move) Move the conjugated verb after the subject; keep all words.

Base: She go to work early.

Task: (Replace) Replace the incorrect verb with the correct form for “she”.

Base: I has three meetings today.

Task: (Replace) Replace the incorrect verb with the correct form for “I”.

Base: They is at the station.

Task: (Replace) Replace the incorrect verb with the correct form for “they”.

Verb Conjugation (1st, 2nd, and 3rd Person) - Transformations (20 Items)

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Base: You was late again.

Task: (Replace) Replace the incorrect verb with the correct past form for “you”.

Base: It have two buttons.

Task: (Replace) Replace the incorrect verb with the correct form for “it”.

Base: Does she goes to class?

Task: (Correct) Correct misuse of main verb after “does”.

Base: He don't like tomatoes.

Task: (Correct) Correct the auxiliary for third person singular.

Base: We doesn't need more time.

Task: (Correct) Correct the auxiliary for first person plural.

Base: They has arrived already.

Task: (Correct) Correct “have” for third person plural.

Base: I ams ready now.

Task: (Correct) Correct the verb “be” for first person singular.

Answer Key

1. I go to the gym on Mondays.
2. You run very fast.
3. She drinks coffee before work.
4. We live in Sofia.
5. He loses his keys often.
6. Maya reads the news every morning.
7. They are usually tired in winter.
8. We play board games on Fridays.
9. He finishes the report after lunch.

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10. The bus leaves at seven.
11. She goes to work early.
12. I have three meetings today.
13. They are at the station.
14. You were late again.
15. It has two buttons.
16. Does she go to class?
17. He doesn't like tomatoes.
18. We don't need more time.
19. They have arrived already.
20. I am ready now.

Email

Professor Lee, I has attached the draft for tomorrow's seminar. You was asking about the revised figures, so I include two charts in the appendix. Dr. Patel also say the sample size may be small, and he recommends postponing conclusions until the next batch arrives.

Product Review

This toaster look modern and heats quickly. When you plugs it in, the indicator lights is bright without glaring. My partner says the crumb tray slides out smoothly, and I appreciate not needing tools to clean it after weekend brunches.

Text Message

Hey, I goes to the gym after work, want to join? You was saying your knee felt better, so maybe light cardio. Sam don't like the crowded hour, but he can meet us later for smoothies. Let me know if timing works and I'll book the court.

News Brief

In a morning briefing, the mayor announce new transit lanes downtown. If you is arriving by car, officials urge earlier departures to avoid delays. We was told enforcement begins Monday, and businesses receive notices today. Commuters should check the city website for maps and peak-hour restrictions before heading out.

Social Post

Just finished the cooking class! I doesn't usually bake, but today was fun. You goes in nervous and leave proud, especially when the instructor give your soufflé a nod. Highly recommend for date night; they provide clear steps and rescue your mistakes with patience.

Customer Service Chat

Thanks for reaching out. I were reviewing your order when the system have flagged a mismatch in the address. Could you confirm the apartment number? Also, you sends returns within 30 days, and we issue refunds after inspection. I'll stay on this chat until everything is sorted for you.

Diary Entry

Walking home after the concert, I sees the city differently. You was there in every chorus, even when the crowd drowned the solo. My sister say I overthink endings, but I just want the night to hold. Tomorrow I plan a quieter route along the river.

Internal Memo

Quarterly review notes: I writes this summary to capture takeaways. If you was expecting final budgets today, finance delays the release until Friday. Our new analyst, Mira, have completed onboarding and starts shadowing client calls next week. Please send questions by noon so I can prepare the slide appendix.

Answer Sheet

Email

- Corrected: *Professor Lee, I **have** attached the draft for tomorrow's seminar. You **were** asking about the revised figures, so I include two charts in the appendix. Dr. Patel also **says** the sample size may be small, and he recommends postponing conclusions until the next batch arrives.*
- Reasons:
 - I has → **have**: 1st person singular uses *have*.
 - You was → **were**: 2nd person past uses *were*.
 - Dr. Patel say → **says**: 3rd person singular requires -s.

Product Review

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- Corrected: *This toaster **looks** modern and heats quickly. When you **plug** it in, the indicator lights **are** bright without glaring...*
- Reasons:
 - toaster look → **looks**: 3rd person singular takes -s.
 - you plugs → **plug**: 2nd person uses base form.
 - lights is → **are**: plural subject uses *are*.

Text Message

- Corrected: *Hey, I **go** to the gym after work... You **were** saying your knee felt better... Sam **doesn't** like the crowded hour...*
- Reasons:
 - I goes → **go**: 1st person uses base form.
 - You was → **were**: 2nd person past is *were*.
 - Sam don't → **doesn't**: 3rd person singular requires *does*.

News Brief

- Corrected: *In a morning briefing, the mayor **announces** new transit lanes... If you **are** arriving by car... We **were** told enforcement begins Monday...*
- Reasons:
 - mayor announce → **announces**: 3rd person singular requires -s.
 - you is → **are**: 2nd person takes *are*.
 - We was → **were**: 1st person plural past is *were*.

Social Post

- Corrected: *Just finished the cooking class! I **don't** usually bake... You **go** in nervous... the instructor **gives** your soufflé a nod...*

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- Reasons:
 - I doesn't → **don't**: 1st person requires *do not*.
 - You goes → **go**: 2nd person uses base form.
 - instructor give → **gives**: 3rd person singular requires -s.

Customer Service Chat

- Corrected: *Thanks for reaching out. I **was** reviewing your order when the system **has** flagged a mismatch... Also, you **send** returns within 30 days...*
- Reasons:
 - I were → **was**: 1st person singular past is *was*.
 - system have → **has**: 3rd person singular takes *has*.
 - you sends → **send**: 2nd person uses base form.

Diary Entry

- Corrected: *Walking home after the concert, I **see** the city differently. You **were** there... My sister **says** I overthink endings...*
- Reasons:
 - I sees → **see**: 1st person singular uses base form.
 - You was → **were**: 2nd person past is *were*.
 - sister say → **says**: 3rd person singular requires -s.

Internal Memo

- Corrected: *Quarterly review notes: I **write** this summary... If you **were** expecting final budgets... Mira **has** completed onboarding...*
- Reasons:

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- I writes → **write**: 1st person singular uses base form.
- you was → **were**: 2nd person past is *were*.
- Mira have → **has**: 3rd person singular requires *has*.