

4th meeting

DAILY ACTIVITIES (SIMPLE PRESENT, PRESENT CONTINUOUS & PRESENT PERFECT TENSE



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PRESENT TENSE

Present Simple

USE: We use the present simple

1. For repeated or regular actions in the present time period.

- I take the bus to go to school.

2. For facts.

- The President of the USA lives in the White House.

3. For habits.

- I usually get up early.

4. For things that are always / generally true.

- It is cold in winter

affirmative

I play
You play
He plays
She plays
It plays
We play
You play
They play

negative

long form

I do not play
You do not play
He does not play
She does not play
It does not play
We do not play
You do not play
They do not play

short form

I don't play
You don't play
He doesn't play
She doesn't play
It doesn't play
We don't play
You don't play
They don't play

interrogative

Do I play?
Do you play?
Does he play?
Does she play?
Does it play?
Do we play?
Do you play?
Do they play?

PRESENT SIMPLE

TO BE

+

S + am/is/are + predicate...

-

S + am/is/are + not + predicate...

?

Am/Is/ Are + S + predicate?

VERBS

S + verb + object...

S + don't/doesn't + verb + object...

Do/ Does + S + verb + object?

Usage

NOMINAL SENTENCE

I am a lecturer

Example

VERBAL SENTENCE

does she go to school by
bus?

PRESENT CONTINUOUS

USES:

Things happening now : I'm watching the whiteboard

Temporary situations: She's staying with her aunt.

Future plans: We are having an exam next Friday

FORM:

Affirmative → I'm drinking tea/ He is working at home

Negative → I'm not drinking tea / He isn't working

Interrogative → Are you drinking tea / is he working at home?

TIME EXPRESSIONS

→ Now, at the moment, today, this week...

Position

→ At the end of the sentence: She's staying with her aunt **this week**

- You use Present Continuous for **actions happening at or around the moment of speaking.**

Examples

He is looking for a better job.

Why are you crying?

Don't disturb her! She is preparing for the exam.

- You use Present Continuous for **temporary situations.**

Examples

We are staying at the Grand Hotel at present. */it's our temporary place for living/*

He is working as a barman during the summer. */it's his temporary job — only in summer/*

I am currently living with my sister. */it's only for some period of time — temporary/*

■ You use Present Continuous for **fixed arrangements in the near future (definite future plans)**.

You use Present Continuous for fixed arrangements in the near future, especially with the verbs of movement such as: to come, to fly, to go, to leave, to arrive, etc.

Examples

I am meeting my friends tonight. */I have the arrangement to meet with my friends tonight/*

They are flying to Madrid next week. */it's fixed, they have tickets/*

When is she coming back? */with this question I want to find out her plans for the near future/*

■ You use Present Continuous **with the word ALWAYS to express annoying habits**.

Annoying means something that makes you feel angry or impatient.

Annoying habit — something that somebody often does without intending to or without realizing that what he/she is doing can annoy other people.

Examples

She is always lying to her friends. */it's her annoying habit — to lie/*

They are always getting late. */it's their annoying habit — to get late/*

William is always trying to cheat on the exam. */it's his annoying habit — to cheat/*

PRESENT PERFECT – MEANING

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PAST RECENT EVENTS

We don't say when. Or with time expressions including now.

She's **had** an accident.

I've **passed** the exam.



JUST, ALREADY, YET

"Have you **finished** yet?" "Yes, I've **already finished**."

RECENTLY

Have you **seen** any good films recently?

TODAY, THIS WEEK,
THIS MONTH, ETC.

I **haven't seen** Ted today. Maybe he isn't feeling well.

PAST EXPERIENCES

We don't say when these events happened.

We've **been** to Rome and Florence.

I **haven't read** that book.



NEVER, EVER, BEFORE

"Have you ever **read** it?" "I **have never read** it."

Superlative + EVER

This is the best food I've **ever tried**.

Number of times
until now

I've **seen** this film three times.

UNFINISHED SITUATIONS

Situations that started in the past and have not finished.

How long **have** you **been** here?

I **have been** here all day.



HOW LONG,
FOR, SINCE

We **have been** married for 20 years.

ALL + time expression

I've **lived** in this house all my life.

LATELY

We **have been** very busy lately.

Daily Routine



wake up



get up



have a
shower



comb your
hair



get dressed



have
breakfast



brush your
teeth



go to school



have classes



have lunch



go back
home



do your
homework



have dinner



watch TV



go to bed





Julia's daily routine.

Hello. I am Julia. I **get up** early, at 7. I **get dressed** in the bedroom – my favourite green sweater. I **have breakfast** in the kitchen, I like orange juice and a sandwich for breakfast. I **brush my teeth** in the bathroom. My teeth are white! I **go to school** at 8. At school I **have lunch** – rice and tomatoes and some chicken or fish. After school I **go to the park** and **play** with my friends – Kate and Mary. I **have dinner** at 7. I eat salad. I **go to bed** at 8.