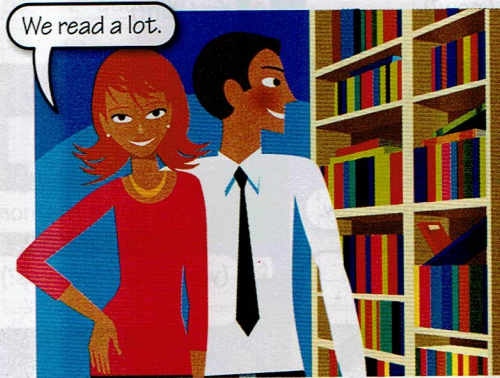


I do/work/like etc. (present simple)

A



They have a lot of books.
They **read** a lot.



He's eating an ice cream.
He **likes** ice cream.

They **read** / he **likes** / I **work** etc. = the *present simple*:

I/we/you/they	read	like	work	live	watch	do	have
he/she/it	reads	likes	works	lives	watches	does	has

Remember:

he works / **she lives** / **it rains** etc.

- I work** in a shop. **My brother works** in a bank. (*not* My brother work)
- Lucy lives** in London. **Her parents live** in Scotland.
- It rains** a lot in winter.

I have → he/she/it **has**:

- Joe has** a shower every day.

Spelling (→ Appendix 5):

-es after -s / -sh / -ch :	pass → passes	finish → finishes	watch → watches
-y → -ies :	study → studies	try → tries	
<i>also</i> :	do → does	go → goes	

B

We use the present simple for things that are true in general, or for things that happen sometimes or all the time:

- I **like** big cities.
- Your English is good. You **speak** very well.
- Tom **works** very hard. He **starts** at 7.30 and **finishes** at 8 o'clock in the evening.
- The earth **goes** round the sun.
- We **do** a lot of different things in our free time.
- It **costs** a lot of money to build a hospital.

C

always/never/often/usually/sometimes + present simple

- Sue **always gets** to work early. (*not* Sue gets always)
- I **never eat** breakfast. (*not* I eat never)
- We **often go** away at weekends.
- Mark **usually plays** football on Sundays.
- I **sometimes walk** to work, but not very often.

I don't ... (negative) → **Unit 6** **Do you ... ?** (questions) → **Unit 7** **I am doing** and **I do** → **Unit 8**
always/usually/often etc. (word order) → **Unit 94**

Exercises

5.1 Write these verbs with **-s** or **-es**.

- 1 (read) she reads 3 (fly) it 5 (have) she
 2 (think) he 4 (dance) he 6 (finish) it

5.2 Complete the sentences about the people in the pictures. Use:

eat go live ~~play~~ play sleep



- 1 He plays the piano. 4 tennis.
 2 They in a very big house. 5 to the cinema a lot.
 3 a lot of fruit. 6 seven hours a night.

5.3 Complete the sentences. Use:

boil close cost cost like like meet open ~~speak~~ teach wash

- 1 Maria speaks four languages.
 2 The shops in the city centre usually at 9 o'clock in the morning.
 3 The City Museum at 5 o'clock in the evening.
 4 Tina is a teacher. She mathematics to young children.
 5 My job is very interesting. I a lot of people.
 6 Peter's car is always dirty. He never it.
 7 Food is expensive. It a lot of money.
 8 Shoes are expensive. They a lot of money.
 9 Water at 100 degrees Celsius.
 10 Laura and I are good friends. I her and she me.

5.4 Write sentences from these words. Use the right form of the verb (**arrive** or **arrives** etc.).

- 1 (always / early / Sue / arrive) Sue always arrives early.
 2 (to the cinema / never / I / go) I
 3 (work / Martina / hard / always)
 4 (like / chocolate / children / usually)
 5 (Jackie / parties / enjoy / always)
 6 (often / people's names / I / forget)
 7 (TV / Sam / watch / never)
 8 (usually / dinner / we / have / at 7.30)
 9 (Kate / always / nice clothes / wear)

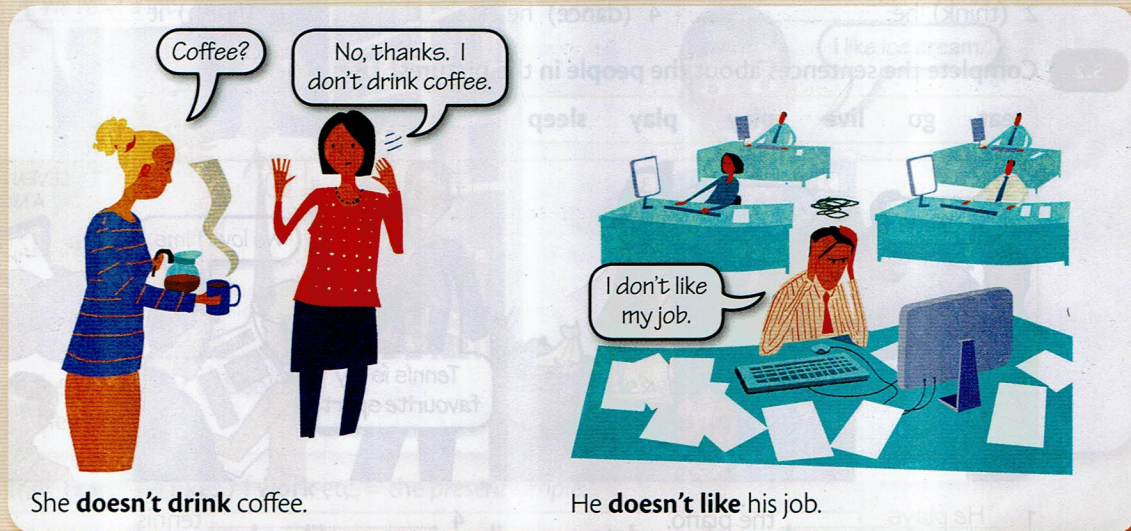
5.5 Write sentences about yourself. Use **always/never/often/usually/sometimes**.

- 1 (watch TV in the evening) I usually watch TV in the evening.
 2 (read in bed) I
 3 (get up before 7 o'clock)
 4 (go to work/school by bus)
 5 (drink coffee in the morning)

I don't ... (present simple negative)

A

The present simple negative is **don't/doesn't** + verb:



positive

negative

I we you they	work like do have	I we you they	don't (do not)	work like do have
he she it	works likes does has	he she it	doesn't (does not)	

- I **drink** coffee, but I **don't drink** tea.
- Sue **drinks** tea, but she **doesn't drink** coffee.
- You **don't work** very hard.
- We **don't watch** TV very often.
- The weather is usually nice. It **doesn't rain** very often.
- Sam and Chris **don't know** many people.

B

Remember:

- I/we/you/they **don't** ... I **don't** like football.
- he/she/it **doesn't** ... He **doesn't** like football.

- I **don't** like Fred and **Fred doesn't** like me. (*not Fred don't like*)
- My car doesn't** use much petrol. (*not My car don't use*)
- Sometimes he is late, but **it doesn't** happen very often.

C

We use **don't/doesn't** + infinitive (don't **like** / doesn't **speak** / doesn't **do** etc.):

- I **don't like** washing the car. I **don't do** it very often.
- Sarah **speaks** Spanish, but she **doesn't speak** Italian. (*not doesn't speaks*)
- David **doesn't do** his job very well. (*not David doesn't his job*)
- Paula **doesn't** usually **have** breakfast. (*not doesn't ... has*)

Exercises

6.1 Write the negative.

- 1 I play the piano very well. I don't play the piano very well.
- 2 Anna plays the piano very well. Anna
- 3 They know my phone number. They
- 4 We work very hard.
- 5 He has a bath every day.
- 6 You do the same thing every day.

6.2 Study the information and write sentences with like.

	BEN AND SOPHIE	KATE	YOU
1 classical music?	yes	no	?
2 boxing?	no	yes	
3 horror movies?	yes	no	

- 1 Ben and Sophie like classical music.
Kate
I classical music.
- 2 Ben and Sophie
Kate
I
- 3

6.3 Write about yourself. Use:

I never ... or **I often ...** or **I don't ... very often.**

- 1 (watch TV) I don't watch TV very often. or I never watch TV. or I often watch TV.
- 2 (go to the theatre)
- 3 (ride a bike)
- 4 (eat in restaurants)
- 5 (travel by train)

6.4 Complete the sentences. All of them are negative. Use **don't/doesn't** + these verbs:

cost go know rain see use wear

- 1 The weather here is usually nice. It doesn't rain much.
- 2 Paul has a car, but he it very often.
- 3 Paul and his friends like films, but they to the cinema very often.
- 4 Amanda is married, but she a ring.
- 5 I much about politics. I'm not interested in it.
- 6 The Regent Hotel isn't expensive. It much to stay there.
- 7 Ed lives very near us, but we him very often.

6.5 Put the verb into the correct form, positive or negative.

- 1 Margaret speaks four languages – English, French, German and Spanish. (speak)
- 2 I don't like my job. It's very boring. (like)
- 3 'Where's Steve?' 'I'm sorry. I': (know)
- 4 Sue is a very quiet person. She very much. (talk)
- 5 Andy a lot of tea. It's his favourite drink. (drink)
- 6 It's not true! I it! (believe)
- 7 That's a very beautiful picture. I it very much. (like)
- 8 Mark is a vegetarian. He meat. (eat)