

Hello, this is Adam Okonski and I'm a Native Speaker.

Verbs have different forms, called tenses. The tense of a verb tells us when the action happens.

In this lesson, we will learn when to use the Present Tense the different spellings for present tense verbs how "do" is used as a helping verb in the present tense how to make questions in the present tense and the differences between the present tense and the present continuous tense

When do we use the Present Tense

The Present Tense is used when we are talking about facts or things that we know are true.

For Example

Planes fly very fast.

Fred enjoys reading.

He likes bananas.

He wants to be a doctor.

Horses eat hay.



We use the Present Tense for situations that are permanent.

For Example

She lives in Los Angeles.

They work in the bank.

Present Tense is used when things are done regularly. They may also be used with adverbs of frequency, such as always, often, usually, sometimes, rarely and never.

For Example

Mike goes to school by car.

Brittany brushes her teeth after every meal.

She goes to the grocery store every Tuesday.

Joe sometimes goes to the park.

Kathy often listens to the radio.

Proper spelling with Present Tense verbs

When a verb is used with I, We, You or They or plural nouns the spelling doesn't change.

For Example

I enjoy cooking.

We live in New York.

They work in the bank.

When a verb is used with the pronouns such as he, she, it and with singular nouns we change the spelling of the verb.

For some verbs, we add an "s" at the end of the verb.

For Example

He sings well.

She likes to dance.

It moves very quietly.

Susan enjoys cooking.

For verbs that end with "o", "s", "z", "sh", "ch" or "x", we add "es" to the end of the verb.

For Example

Michelle goes to the market every week.

My dad sometimes does the shopping.

She brushes her teeth every morning.

Walter polishes his shoes every day.

A plumber is a person who fixes pipes.

He watches the news every night.

That concludes our lesson. You should now be able to use the present simple form.

I hope you enjoyed this lesson.

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