

Grammar Simple Present Tense

We use it to talk about the future after words like **'when', 'until', 'after', 'before', 'as soon as'** in a future sentence.

- I will call you when I **have**
- I won't go out until it **stops**
- She'll come as soon as her babysitter **arrives**.
- I'm going to make dinner after I **watch** the news.
- I'll give you the book before you **go**.

For verbs that end in **-o, -ch, -sh, -ss, -x, or -z** we add **-es**.

- go – **goes**
- catch – **catches**
- wash – **washes**
- kiss – **kisses**
- fix – **fixes**
- buzz – **buzzes**

For verbs that end in a **consonant + y**, we remove the **y** and add **-ies**.

- marry – **marries**
- study – **studies**
- carry – **carries**
- worry – **worries**

For verbs that end in a **vowel + y**, we just add **-s**.

- play – **plays**
- enjoy – **enjoys**
- say – **says**

Facts, things that are always or generally true.

- The sky **is**
- The moon **is**
- A hen **lays**
- A dog **has** four legs.
- The sun **rises** in the east.
- Tropical fish **are**
- Water **boils** at 100 degrees.
- Plants **die** without water.
- My birthday **is** in September.

For situations that are **(more / less)** permanent.

- I **live** in Malaysia.
- She **likes**
- They **love**
- My father **works** in a bank.
- She **has** three children.
- The boy **studies** in SJK(C) Kundang.

Things that we do regularly / often → routines, habits. (*every day, once a week, twice a month, every Sunday, four times a year*) (*always, often, usually, sometimes, rarely, never*)

- I **go** to school by car.
- He always **wakes** up at 6 a.m.
- Mei Ling often **listens** to music.
- Carol **brushes** her teeth twice a day.
- I **drink** a cup of coffee every morning.
- He **looks** at his watch.
- She **opens** the door.
- I **switch** on the computer.

Imperatives → statements / order

- Do not litter!
- Keep off the grass!
- Do not feed the animals.
- Go to your bedroom now.