PRESENT SIMPLE

Afirmative

I walk
You walk
He walks
She walks
It walks
We walk
You walk
They walk

Negative

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

Interrogative

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

USE

Third person singular



We add -s to the verb to form the third person singular (he, she, it).

I drink - he drinks
I run - he runs

BUT

- We add -es to verbs that end in -ss,
 -sh, -ch, -x, -o.
 I watch he watches
- With verbs ending in consonant + y,
 we change the -y to -ies.

I cry - he cries

But with verbs ending in vowel + y, we just add -s as usual.

I play - he plays

Use

We use the Present Simple:

 for habits and actions that we do regularly:

He visits his friends every Sunday.

She goes to school by bus.

for general truths:

The sun rises in the East.

• for permanent situations: He lives in Athens.

EXPRESSIONS USED WITH THE PRESENT SIMPLE

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Frequency adverbs: always, usually, often, sometimes, rarely, never

(they are placed before the main verb)

Time expressions: every day / week / Friday ...

on Mondays / Sundays ...

at the weekend...

in the morning / afternoon...

in winter / spring...
once a day / week...

Frequency adverbs are placed before the main verb, except with to be. Examples:

Sue always plays football on Mondays.

Paul is never at home at the weekends.