



TENSES

2.1 Present simple tense

Rule 1: After I, you, we, and they simple form of verb is used.

Rule 2: After he, she it (3rd person singular) a final -(e)s is added to the simple form of the verb.

Exercises

1. They **drink** tea.
2. He **drinks** tea
3. The girls **go** to university every day.
4. The girl **goes** to university every day.
5. The **cats** catch mice.
6. It **catches** mice.
7. Mary **speaks** English every day.
8. We **watch** TV every evening.
9. My son **writes** a letter to me every week.
10. My father usually **leaves** home at 8 o'clock in the morning

Notes regarding verb "*to be*" and "*to have*"

To be: (I) am (he, she, it) is (you, we, they) are

Illustrative examples I am a boy. He is a boy. We are boys.

To have: (I, you, we, they) have (he, she, it) has

Illustrative examples I have two brothers. He has two brothers.



Spelling of –S and –ES

بالنظر إلى الأفعال السابقة، نلاحظ أننا مرة نضيف s إلى الفعل وأخرى es وثالثة نحول الـ y إلى i ونضيف es، فما القاعدة التي نسير عليها؟

1. أغلب الأفعال نضيف إليها s فقط:

likes- hates- eats- sleeps- runs

2. إذا كان الفعل ينتهي بـ (o- s- x- ch- sh) نضيف es:

wash- washes

watch- watches

fix- fixes

go- goes

3. إذا كان الفعل ينتهي بـ y يسبقها حرف ساكن (الحرف الساكن ليس بحرف علة)، نحول الـ y إلى i ونضيف es:

fly = fli + es= flies

try = tries

cry = cries

4. إذا كان الفعل ينتهي بـ y يسبقها حرف علة (حروف العلة (a, e, i, o, u) ، نضيف s للفعل فقط:

play = plays

stay= stays

obey= obeys

employ= employs

a) work – works read – reads b) write – writes	talk – talks suggest – suggests believe – believes	Final –s is added to most verbs. Many verbs end in –e. Final –s is simply added.
c) –sh..... wash – washes d) –ch..... catch – catches e) –ss.....discuss – discusses f) –xfax – faxes g) –o do – does		The verbs ending in –sh, -ch, -ss, -x, -o get a final –es .
h) - consonant + y: cry – cries fly – flies try – tries		If the verb ends in a –y coming after another consonant letter, -y is omitted and –ies is added to the verb.
i) – vowel + -y : play - plays stay – stays pray – prays		If the verb ends in a –y coming after a vowel letter, -s is simply added to the verb; -ies is not used.



Exercises

2.2 Exercise: Put the verbs between brackets into the *Present simple tense*:

1. Sam _____(wash)his face every day.
2. She _____ (speak) English and French.
3. Dad often _____(carry)Susie’s books.
4. Nick _____(cook) dinner for his family every evening.
5. He _____ (brush)his hair every morning.
6. May often _____ (read)books.
7. Kitty _____ (wash) the dishes every night.
8. My bird _____(fly) beautifully.
9. The dog _____(like) eating bones.
10. My baby sister _____(cry) every night.
11. Jenny always _____(do) her homework on time.
12. Vincent _____(love) Flora.
13. Ron _____(take) his dog for a walk every afternoon.
14. Mable usually _____(buy) vegetables at the market.
15. The lion _____(run) very fast.