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# THE PRESENT SIMPLE 1

# THE PRESENT SIMPLE: AFFIRMATIVE

We form the present simple with the infinitive of the verb:

1) S + infinitive      2) S + infinitive + s/es

I work      He works

You work      She works

We work      It works

You work

They work

# RULES FOR THE 3RD PERSON SINGULAR

1) In general: infinitive + **s**

I read → he reads

2) Verbs ending in **-y**

I play → he plays \* I study → he studies

3) Verbs ending in **-o, sh, tch, x, ss + es**

I go → he goes I wash → he washes

I watch → he watches I fix → he fixes

I kiss → he kisses

# USES

To talk about activities we usually do:

I go to school every day

Time references:

Every day, week, month, year...

On Sundays, at weekend, in summer...

She studies French in the afternoon

Adverbs of frequency are often used:

Always, usually, often, sometimes, never...

He never watches TV after lunch

Make affirmative sentences 1 (he/go)



He goes to school

Make affirmative sentences 2 (They/eat)



They eat a lot

Make affirmative sentences 3 (She/surf)



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She surfs the Internet



Make affirmative sentences 4 (I/play)



I play the flute



Make affirmative sentences 5 (She/cry)



She cries

# Negative form

For the negative form:

S+ auxiliary verb (do, does) + not+ infinitive  
( contracted forms: don't/ doesn't)

I don't play    He doesn't read

You don't dance    She doesn't study

We don't eat    It doesn't sleep

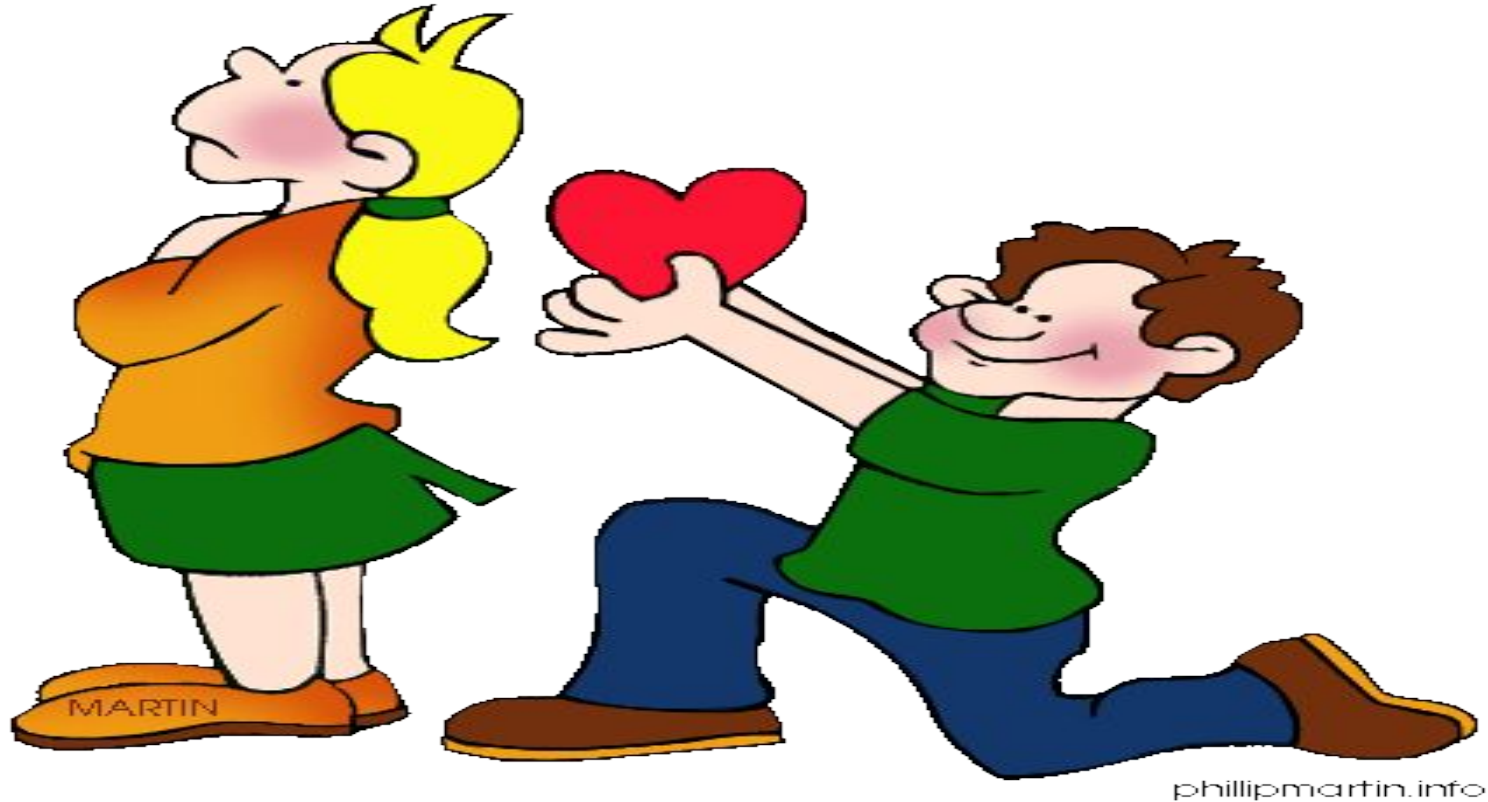
They don't like

Make negative sentences 1 (They/read)



They don't read

Make negative sentences 2 (She/love)



She **doesn't love** him

Make negative sentences 3 (He/drive)



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He doesn't drive

Make negative sentences 4 (He/work)

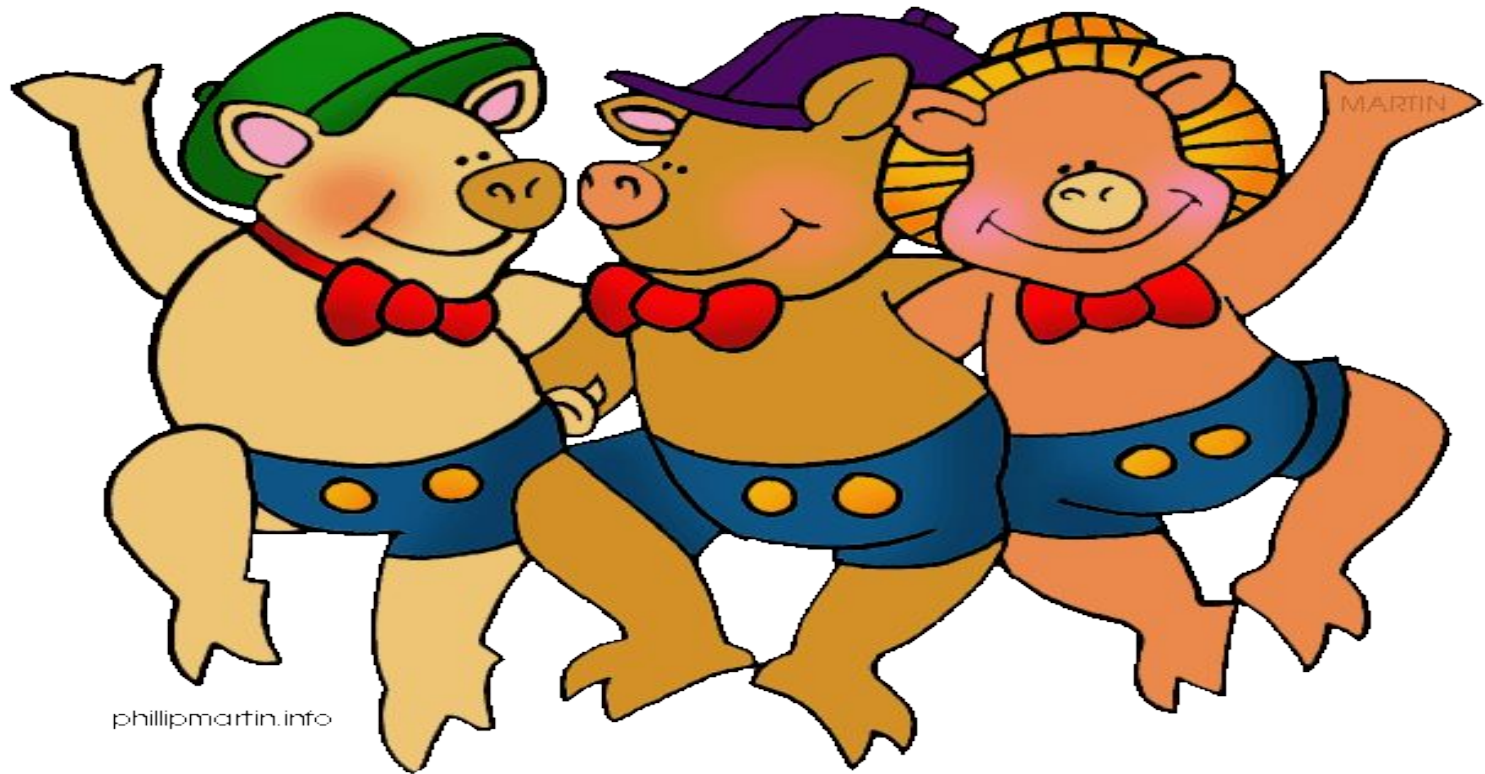


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He doesn't work



Make negative sentences 5 (They/sing)



They don't sing



# YOUR TURN NOW

Write the affirmative /negative form of the verbs in brackets:

1. Dave ..... (not live) in Madrid.
2. Sue ..... (study) German at school.
3. My dad ..... (drive) a red car.
4. We ..... (not walk) to school.
5. The 34 bus ..... (not stop) here.
6. Mr Brown ..... (teach) maths.
7. The children ..... (play) football.
8. Mary ..... (wash) the dishes after lunch.