

THEME 1 SCHOOL LIFE GRAMMAR

1. SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE

USE

1. We use the Present Simple to describe habits & daily routines & repeated actions

She gets up at 6.30

2. We use the Present Simple to describe likes & dislikes

I don't like cappuccino

3. We use the Present Simple to express scheduled events (Timetables)

The train leaves at 2.00 every afternoon.

4. We use the Present Simple to express Facts or Generalizations

People need food and drinks

It snows a lot in Erzurum in winter

FORM

Affirmative sentences:

I play tennis every Saturday.

He usually practises wrestling at weekends.

Negative sentences:

I don't have any brothers.

Tom doesn't have a motorbike.

Questions:

a. Yes/No questions:

Do you like archery?

Does your father speak German?

b. Wh- questions:

Where do your grandparents live?

How often does Amy go hiking?

The verb "be" in the Present Simple : am / is / are

I am (I'm) from a small village in Artvin.

You are (You're) good at basketball.

He is (He's) a computer engineer.

We aren't twenty years old.

2. ADVERBS OF FREQUENCY

Adverbs of frequency tell us how often something happens. They usually come before the main verb, but after the auxiliary verb (do, does, etc.) and the verb to be.

always (100%)

usually (90%)

often (75%)

sometimes (%50)

rarely (10%)

never (0%)

***** We use never with positive verbs, not negative.**

I always eat an egg at breakfast.

It is usually rainy in London.

She sometimes drinks coffee.

He rarely listens to music.

I never walk to school.

***** We can place sometimes at the beginning of the sentence as well.**

I sometimes get up late.

Sometimes I get up late

3. PRESENT CONTINUOUS TENSE

We use Present Continuous Tense

• to talk about actions happening now, at the moment of speaking.

I'm doing my homework now.

• to talk about actions happening around the time of speaking.

They're looking for a flat at the moment.

***** We form the present continuous using the verb to be -am, is, are- and adding -ing to the base form of the main verb.**

We're playing in the garden.

***** Time expressions used with the present continuous are now, at the moment, at present, right now, these days, etc**

AFFIRMATIVE

Subject+ be +Verb + ing

I am ('m)

You / We / They + are ('re) + walking.

He / She / It is ('s)

NEGATIVE

Subject +be+not+ Verb + ing

I am not ('m not)

You / We / They are not (aren't) + walking.

He / She / It is not (isn't)

INTERROGATIVE

Be+ Subject+ Verb + ing ?

Am I

Are you /we /they + walking?

Is he / she / it