**The Simple Present**

Verb Introduction

A **verb** in a sentence is an **action word**.

It indicates what the subject is **doing.**

 **(subject) + (verb) *+ rest of sentence.***

 I (subject) + walk (verb) + rest of sentence.
 **I walk** to school every day.

This means that ***walk*** is the verb.

 ***I*** is the subject of the sentence doing the action. **Walk** is the verb.

**Note 1:**

In the **present tense,** the verb is conjugated with the subject. A verb in the **Simple Present** tense explains that an action is happening in the **present**, right now.

I **sing** a song.

You **sing** a song

He **sings** a song.

She **sings** a song

We **sing** a song.

You **sing** a song

They **sing** a song

**Note2:**

Third person singular is conjugated with an “**s**” at the end of the verb.

The frog **jumps.**

The girl **laughs.**

He **dances.**

**Present tense**: means that the action takes place in the **present**. (now)

 John **plays** with the dog.

 Mary also **plays** with the dog.

 The little girl **plays** with the dog.

**Exercise 1**: Find the **subject** from the following sentences.

1. The cat jumps over the fence.

 

2. She writes in her diary every day.

3. I brush my teeth morning and night.

4. You drive the bus every morning.

5. The baby sleeps in the crib.

6. I watch comedy films every Saturday.

7. The teacher speaks loudly.

8. She eats apples every day.



9. Nancy sings opera very well.

10. Jason drives a motorboat.

11. The elephant plays trick with the children

12. The student likes to study.

**Exercise 2**: Find the **verb** from the following sentences.



1. The dog runs after the cat.

2. Alice walks to school every day.

3. I play electric guitar really well.

4. She makes good chicken soup.

5. The child reads her favorite story.

6. We go to the movies every week.

7. Paul cleans the yard.



8. Cathy bakes apples pies better than her sister.

9. Alex swims at the gym.

10. Malcom rides his motorcycle to town.

11. She calls her mother long distance.

12. I take piano lessons to improve my musical skills.

**Exercise 1**: Determine the correct **Simple Present** tense verb for the subject.

Reference guide: Present tense

I walk

You walk

He ***walks***

She ***walks***

It ***walks***

We walk

You walk

They walk

1. we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(call, calls )**

2. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(call, calls)**

3. Angela \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(talk, talks)**

4. Amy and I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(talk, talks)**

5. Mario \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **(plan, plans)**

6. they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(plan, plans)**

7. you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(shout, shouts)**

8. he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­\_ **(shout, shouts)**

9. it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(bark, barks)**

10. you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(jump, jumps)**

11. they\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(work, works)**



12. she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(work, works)**

13. he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(answer, answers**)

14. the frog \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­\_­\_ **(want, wants)**

15. we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(ask, asks)**

16. Jason \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **(play, plays)**

17. you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(look, looks)**

18. Fred \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(look, looks)**



19. Anita \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(share, shares)**

20. we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(share, shares)**

21. the child \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**take, takes)**

22. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(take, takes)**

23. the man \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(sit, sits)**

24. my friend \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(sit, sits)**

25. the woman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(cook, cooks)**

26. they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(cook, cooks)**

**Exercise 2:** Complete the sentences using the correct **Simple Present** tense.

1. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(enjoy, enjoys)** classical music.

2. John \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(read, reads)** his favorite book.

3. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(run, runs)** for the bus almost every morning.

4. The opera singer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(**like, likes)** to practice her voice.

5. Every morning I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(**receive, receives)** the newspaper.

6. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**clean, cleans)** the kitchen right after cooking.

7. For breakfast, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(drink, drinks**) black coffee.

8. On weekends, we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**shop, shops**) with our friends.

9. Safia \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(want, wants)** to visit Spain one day.

10. You \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**live, lives)** in a quiet neighborhood.

11. Rosie \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(call, calls)** her mother every Friday.

12. Nancy \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**arrive, arrives**) late for work every morning.

13**.** The teenager \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(listen, listens)** to rock music.

14. The director \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(**prepare, prepares**) the office meeting.

15. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(ride, rides)** our bikes to town.

16. The bank manager \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**approve, approves**) the client’s loan.

17. My friends \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(want, wants)** to open a business soon.

18. My mother \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(visit, visits)** me every weekend.

19. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(like, likes)** my soup really hot.

20. The band of musicians\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(travel, travels)** often.

21. Sonia \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(call, calls)** to register her appointment.

22. The man \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(remember, remembers)** where the train station is.

23. The director \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(invest, invests)** in the stock market.

24. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(plant, plants)** new flowers in her garden every year.

25. The postman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**(deliver, delivers)** the mail to the office building.

26. The Mayor of the city \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(plan, plans)** to increase taxes again.

**Exercise 3**: Complete the sentences using the information below.

1. The cat

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*The cat jumps over the fence.*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. She writes

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. I brush

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. The bus driver

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. The baby

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. I watch

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. The teacher

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. She eats

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. With a soprano voice, Nancy sings

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. Jason has a green thumb and takes

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. drives the bus to the station.



2. in her diary every day.

3. comedy films every Saturday.

4. sleeps in the crib.

5. care of the garden.

6. jumps over the fence.

7. apples every day.

8. opera very well.

9. gives the lessons to the students.

10. my teeth morning and night.

Answer Page

p.2 **Exercise 1**: 1.cat 2. She 3. I 4.You 5.baby 6. I 7. teacher 8. She 9.Nancy 10.Jason 11.elephant 12.student.

**Exercise 2**: 1.runs 2.walks 3.play 4.makes 5.reads 6.go 7.cleans 8.bakes 9.swims 10.rides 11.calls 12.take

p.3 **Exercise 1:** 1.call 2.call 3.talks 4.talk 5.plans 6.plan 7.shout 8.shouts 9.barks 10.jump 11.work 12.works 13.answers 14.wants 15.ask 16.plays 17.look 18.looks 19.shares 20.share 21.takes 22.take 23.sits 24.sits 25.cooks 26.cook

p.4 **Exercise 2:** 1.enjoys 2.reads 3.run 4.likes 5.receive 6.cleans 7.drinks 8.shop 9.wants 10.live 11.calls 12.arrives 13.listens 14.prepares 15.ride 16.approves 17.want 18.visits 19.like 20.travel 21.calls 22.remembers 23.invests 24.plants 25.delivers 26.plans

p.5 **Exercise 3:** 2. She writes in her diary every day. 3. I brush my teeth morning and night. 4. The bus driver drives the bus to the station. 5. The baby sleeps in the crib. 6. I watch comedy films every Saturday. 7. The teacher gives the lessons to the students. 8. She eats apples every day. 9. With a soprano voice, Nancy sings opera very well. 10. Jason has a green thumb and takes care of the garden.