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Attachment: Present Simple Tense Quick Guide

1. When to Use Present Simple

- **Habits/Routines:** *I **drink** coffee every morning.*
- **Facts/Truths:** *Water **boils** at 100°C.*
- **Permanent Situations:** *She **works** in Paris.*
- **Timetables:** *The train **leaves** at 8 PM.*

2. Sentence Structure

Type	Formula	Example
Affirmative	Subject + base verb (+ -s/es for <i>he/she/it</i>)	<i>She teaches math.</i>
Negative	Subject + do/does + not + base verb	<i>They don't like cold weather.</i>
Question	Do/Does + subject + base verb?	<i>Do you speak Spanish?</i>

3. Third Person Singular Rules (-s/-es)

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Most verbs	Add -s	work → works
-ch, -sh, -ss, -x, -o	Add -es	watch → watches
Consonant + -y	-y → -ies	study → studies
Vowel + -y	Add -s	play → plays

4. Adverbs of Frequency

Placement:

- **Before main verb:** *She **always** eats breakfast.*
- **After "be" verb:** *He **is usually** late.*
- **NOT at end:** *~~I swim every day often.~~ → I **often** swim every day.*

Common Adverbs:

always, usually, often, sometimes, rarely, never

5. Common Mistakes to Avoid

Forgetting **-s/-es** for *he/she/it*:

*She ~~work~~ hard. → She **works** hard.*

Misplacing adverbs:

*I ~~drink always~~ tea. → I **always drink** tea.*

□ Using "**do/does**" in affirmatives:

*He ~~does plays~~ piano. → He **plays** piano.*

6. Practice Tip

Ask yourself daily:

*What do I **do** every day?*

*What **is** true about my life?*

*Where **does** [friend/family] **work**?*