

# Worksheet No.(2)

Name :		Subject:	The present tenses
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# 1. The Present Simple & the Present Continuous

Simple Present Tense	Present Continuous Tense
Uses:	Uses:
We use the simple present tense when:  • the action is general	We use the present continuous tense to talk about:
<ul> <li>the action happens all the time, or</li> <li>habitually, in the past, present and future</li> </ul>	an action happening around now and it is not permanent or habitual.
· the action is not only happening now	Form:
· the statement is always true	1. For positive sentences, we use:
Form:	Subject + be + (base verb+ing).  2.For negative sentences, we use:
1. For positive sentences, we use the base form of the verb with(I-we you-they).	Subject + be + not + (base verb+ing).
2. For the 3rd person singular (he, she, it),	3.For interrogative sentences,we use:
we add s to the main verb or es to the auxiliary.	Be+ subject + (base verb+ing).
3.For negative sentences, we use:don't/doesn't	Indicators:
4.For interrogative sentences,we	At the moment-now- right now-nowadays- today-tonight-this-these-currently-listen- look-be careful-be quiet
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use:do/does	
Indicators:	
Always-usually-sometimes-often-seldom- rarely-	
never	
every day/week/month/year	

Look at the following present simple examples:	Look at the following present continuous examples:
I live in New York.	I am living in New York.
The Moon goes round the Earth.	The cat is going round the street.
John drives a taxi.	John is driving a taxi.
He does not drive a bus.	He isn't driving a taxi.
We do not work at night.	We aren't working tonight.
Do you play football?	Are you playing football?
Does she work in a bank?	Is she working in a bank?

### **Stative Verbs**

Some verbs are only (or mostly) used in simple tenses, and are not used in continuous tenses.

An example of a simple tense is the present simple, or the past simple. An example of a continuous tense is the present continuous or past continuous. These verbs are called stative, or state verbs. A verb which isn't stative is called a dynamic verb, and is usually an action. Often stative verbs are about liking or disliking something, or about a mental state, not about an action.

verb	correct	not correct	
agree	Sarah agrees with us. Sarah isn't agreeing with us.		
believe	I don't believe the news.  I am not believing the new		
cost	This car costs a lot of money.	t of money. This car is costing a lot of money.	
disagree	I disagree with you.	. I am disagreeing with you.	
dislike	He dislikes mushrooms.	likes mushrooms. He is disliking mushrooms.	
hate	Julie hates dogs.	Julie is hating dogs.	
hear	Do you hear music?	? Are you hearing music?	
know	We know the answers.	We are knowing the answers.	
like	I like reading detective stories.	I am liking reading detective stories.	
love	I love chocolate.	I'm loving chocolate.	
mean	What do you mean by Physics?	? What are you meaning by Physics?	
need I needed a taxi to go to the airport. I am needing a taxi to go airport.		I am needing a taxi to go to the airport.	
ownShe owns two cars.She is owning two cars.		She is owning two cars.	
prefer	I prefer chocolate ice cream.  I am preferring chocolate cream.		
promise I promise to help you tomorrow. I am promising to he tomorrow.		I am promising to help you tomorrow.	
remember	He doesn't remember my name.	He isn't remembering my name.	
surprise The noise surprises me. The noise is surprising m		The noise is surprising me.	
understandI don't understand this question.I'm not understanding the		I'm not understanding this	

		question.
want	I want to go to the cinema tonight.	I am wanting to go to the cinema tonight.

## Some verbs can be both stative and dynamic:

be	be is usually a stative verb, but when it is used in the continuous it means 'behaving' or 'acting'		
	you are stupid = it's part of your personality		
	you are being stupid = behaving now, not usually		
have	have (stative) = own: I have a car have		
	(dynamic) = taking :I'm having a party / a picnic / a bath / a good time / a break		
see	see (stative) = see with your eyes / understand		
	I see what you mean/ I see her now, she's just coming along the road		
	see (dynamic) = meet / have a date or an appointment with		
	My mother is seeing her dentist next Sunday./ I'm seeing Robert tomorrow		
taste, smell	taste/ smell (stative) = has a certain taste/ smell		
	This soup tastes great. This flower smells beautiful.		
	taste/ smell (dynamic) = the action of tasting/ smelling		
	The chef is tasting the soup. The girl is smelling the flower.		
think	think (stative) = have an opinion		
	I think that coffee is great.		
	think (dynamic) = consider, have in my head		
	What are you thinking about? I'm thinking about my next holiday.		

weigh	weigh(stative)=have the weight		
	This bag weighs 5 kilograms.		
	weigh(dynamic)=measuring the weight of		
	The shop keeper is weighing the vegetables.		
fit	fit (stative)= perfect size		
	This shirt fits me well.		
	Fit (dynamic)= placing or putting		
	The carpenter is fitting the new cupboards in the kitchen.		
measure	measure (stative)= be that long		
	This door measures two metres.		
	measure (dynamic)= taking the length of		
	The carpenter is measuring the kitchen cupboards.		
feel feel (stative)= have an opinion			
	I feel this is a good idea.		
	feel(dynamic)= touch		
	The doctor is feeling the child's body.		
	feel (dynamic)=have the sense of feeling		
	I'm feeling sick/ She's feeling better		
look	look (stative)= have the appearance of		
	She looks tired.		
	Look (dynamic)= must be followed by a preposition and the meaning changes according to the preposition		

I'm looking for a new job.
She's looking at the painting.

### **Exercises**

## 1. Choose the present simple or present

## continuous (these verbs are sometimes stative):

1.	She (have) a bat	h every evening.
2.	My husband	( taste) the food while I'm cooking! It's
ver	y annoying.	
3.	A: Where's Luke? B: He	(see) the doctor now.
4.	<u> </u>	(not / think) that's a good idea.
5.	He	(have) a party at the weekend.
6.	This coffee	(not / taste) right.
7.	We	(see) John and Susie next weekend.
8.	What	(you / think) about ?
9.	She	(have) a headache.
10.	It(be	) cold today.
11.	They	(not / have) a car.
12.	The waiter	(taste) the wine now.
13.	She	(not / be) a doctor.
14.	A: What	(that child / do)? B: He
	(be) silly.	•
15.	He (think)	that we are studying now
16.	These flowers (smell)	terrific.
17.	Henry (understand)	Italian well.
18.	This milk (taste)	funny. I won't drink it.
19.	Diana (want)	to come over now. Is that all right?
20.	There's a spider in the corner. I (h	ate) them.
21.	I (hear)	you, but I can't understand what you are saving.

22. Mark (believe)	you, bi	ut I know that you are	e lying.	
23. I (think)	that we will g	get a discount because	e Talia (know)	
th	ie manager.			
24. Although Tom is	very ill, he (know)	what (h	appen)	
aı	ound him.			
25. Of course I (unde	erstand)	you, I (listen)	, â	aren't I?
26. Why don't you co	omb your hair? It (look)	av	vful.	
27. I (tell)	the truth. Why	(you/not believe)		
me?		28. Why are you s	so angry? You (Ic	ok)
	awful when you	(be)	angry.	
29. I (wait)	for David	d. We (want)		to
go swimming.				
30.He	(own) th	he biggest company i	n the country.	

# 2. Present Perfect Tenses

The Present Perfect Simple	The Present Perfect Continuous		
Usage: 1 –actions that		Usage:	
happened at an indefinite time.			
		1 –actions that started in the past and	
I have swum in the Dead Sea.	2 –	continued until now.	
experiences in the past.		I have been reading a book about history.	
She has been in England for two week	kc	2 actions that took a naried of time in	
She has been in England for two weel		2 –actions that took a period of time in	
once before. 3 –past act	ions	the past with present signs.	
with present signs.			
		I've been painting the house. That's why	
I have broken my leg. How to	form	I have some paint on my clothes.	
the Present Perfect		3-actions that started in the past and	
		will not probably end.	
1-Present Perfect Positive			
		Nadia has been writing the letter all	
subject+ have / has + past participle		morning.	
e.g. I / you / we / they have written		How to form the Present Perfect	
he / she / it has written		Continuous	

### **2-Present Perfect Negative**

Subject + has/have +not + past participle e.g.\* I / you / we / they haven't seen

\*he / she / it hasn't seen

#### **3-Present Perfect Questions**

Have / Has + subject + past participle ?

e.g.Have I / you / we / they finished? Has he / she / it finished?

### Indicators of this tense:

1-since:It's used with definite time.

e.g.We have been at this school since 2012.

2-**for**:It's used with indefinite time.

e.g.We have been at this school for three years.

3-**just**: It means something happened a short time ago.

e.g.I have just eaten chocolate.

4-**already**:It means something happened before you expected. e.g. A:Don't forget to water the flowers,Jane?

B:Oh,mum.I've already watered them.

5-**yet**:It means "until now".It is used in negative sentences or questions.

e.g.A:Have you finished your homework yet? B:No.I haven't finished it yet.

6-ever:It's used in questions.

#### 1-Present Perfect Continuous Positive

subject+ have / has + been+ v+ing

e.g. I / you / we / they have been writing he / she / it has been writing

### **2-Present Perfect Continuous Negative**

Subject + has/have +not + been + v+ing e.g.\* I / you / we / they haven't been eating

\*he / she / it hasn't been eating

#### **3-Present Perfect Questions**

Have / Has + subject + been + v+ing?

e.g.Have I / you / we / they been playing? Has he / she / it been playing?

#### Indicators of this tense:

how long /all day / all night / all morning....../ again/ for a long time/ since/ for..now

e.g. Have you ever been to China?	
7- <b>never</b> :It's used to show that the action was not done before.	
e.g. I have never been to China.	
8. so far-recently- lately	
Exercises	
1.Put the words in the correct order using the prese	ent perfect tense.
1. you / ever / go / skiing / ?	
2. you / finish / your homework / yet / ?	
3. she / just / visit / her friends / .	
4. I / already / meet / a famous person /.	
5. you / ever / write / a poem / ?	
6. I / never / go / bungee-jumping / .	
7. I / not / be / on TV / yet / .	
8. you / ever / win / a competition/?	
2-Fill in the blanks with ( just , already or yet )	
1. "Would you like something to eat?" "No thanks, I've _	had lunch."
2. "Have you finished your homework	?"

3. "What time is Pilar leaving?" "Sl	he's	left."	
4. Are you going to make dinner?" "No, I've		made it. It's in the	
oven!"	5. "Are we too lat	e to see the film?". "No, it	
hasn't started		6. I	
need to take the Intermediate exa	ım because I've	taken the	
Elementary.	7. "Do you know whe	re Mauricio is?" "Yes, I've	
seen him in t	the Library."	8. "Why isn't	
Simone coming to the cinema with	n us?" "She's	seen the film."	
9. "Have you tidied your room	?" "No, not _	I'll do it in	
a minute."			
10. You have	completed the firs	st nine questions.	
3. Fill in the blanks with ( since or	for )		
1.Nobody has come to see us	we bought this sr	mall house.	
2- She has been a doctor	1998.		
3- Nobody has seen her	then.		
4- They have all been ill	last week.		
5- Peter went to the library. He ha	s studied there	a long time.	
6- It has been very foggy	early morning.		
7- I've worked with you	nine years.		
8- He has been in prison	two years.		
9- She has worked in that office	a month.		
10- He hasn't eaten anything	twenty-four hour	S.	
11- He hasn't eaten anything	yesterday.		
12- They haven't spoken to us	we were at scho	ol.	
13- I haven't talked to her	my birthday.		
14- She's heen ill	ars		

15- I've been very patient with y	ou several years		
16. They haven't come together	they graduated	from the university.	
17. We haven't seen Mr.Parker	this morning.		
18. David hasn't telephoned	he left school at thr	ee o'clock.	
19.We have been working	ages.		
20. The singer has sung seven so	ongs the concert bega	an.	
4. Complete the sentences with	n the verb in brackets in the pre	esent perfect simple or the	
present perfect continuous.			
1.She loves Paris. She	(be) there many ti	mes.	
2.Bill	(work) in that company for 3	3 years.	
3. They	(just/ go) to London on holiday.		
4. I	_ ( never/read) that book.		
5. They	( talk) for two hours no	w.	
6. I	( already/have) my coffee.		
7. He(I	live) in Rome since he was a tee	nager.	
8. The house looks different	you	(paint) it?	
9. I	_ (not see) your new car yet.		
10. The detectives	people all	week. (interview)	
11 Tim	(finish) his work yet?		
12. They	(just / go) out.		
13. The child	all night. ( sleep)		
14 you	(send) the letters ye	t?	
15. The train	(just / arrive).		
16 vou	(ever / he) in	a TV studio?	

17. I think the waiter has forgotten us. We	here for
over half an hour and no body has taken our order yet. (wait)	
18. How long ( she/ live ) in this house?	
19. His hair looks short. He(have) a haircut.	
20.James( teach) at the university since June	.He is still working
there.	
5.Rewrite the sentences adding the words in brackets.  1. I have eaten sushi before. (already)	
2. She hasn't visited Germany. (yet)	
3. They have seen this movie. (already)	
4. We have met your teacher. (just)	
5. Daniel has fixed a broken pipe. (never)	
6. Have you eaten snails?. (ever)	
7. He has finished three assignments. (so far)	
8. My son has bought a new car. (lately)	

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