

## Present tense verbs

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(**Simple present** is also known as **present simple** and describes events which happen often.)

Examples: *I bake cakes. Our teacher helps us. Agnes swims for a club.*

The verbs *'bake'*, *'helps'* and *'swims'* all show that the action is performed both presently and continues to be performed on regular occasions.

Go through the PowerPoint which shows examples of both present simple and past simple verbs.

On the final slide, children should have a go at writing sentences in the present simple for the given pictures.

**Simple Past or Simple Present?**

Guided Practice  
Using the pictures below, write a sentence to describe what happened in the simple present.



#### Independent Practice

##### Activity 1.

Go through the second PowerPoint to test if your child can identify if a sentence is in past or present tense.

##### Activity 2.

If you give students a list of countries in different time zones, they should be able to make sentences about what is probably happening there right now, as well as their impressions of what daily life is like, e.g. "People are probably coming home from bars about now. I think they often stay up until very late

but sleep after lunch” to describe their picture of Spanish life. Their partners should listen and guess the country.

### Activity 3.

Discuss something that each member of your family does. For example;  
*Hannah competes at competitions once a month. My father builds aeroplane parts for work.*