

# Grammar section:

## Present Simple vs Present Continuous (Progressive)

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# Present Simple

- We form Present Simple, using **do** in questions and negative sentences (I, you, we, they)
  - *I work every day.*
  - *Do you work every day?*
  - *We don't (do not) work every day.*
- We form Present Simple in 3rd person singular, using **does** in questions and negative sentences (she, he, it), adding (e)s to verbs:
  - *She works every day.*
  - *Does she work every day?*
  - *She doesn't (does not) work every day.*

## Use:

- Permanent states, repeated actions, daily routines, law of nature, general truth. e.g. *Sun rises. I get up every day*
- Scheduled action. *My train departs at 6 p.m. Мой поезд отбывает в 6*
- **Time expressions:** *always, often, usually, sometimes, seldom, rarely, generally, every (day, week, month, year), at night, at the weekend, in the morning, in the afternoon, in the evening, constantly, on Monday*

# Present Continuous (Progressive)

- We form Present Continuous, using **be (am, is, are) + Verb+ing**
  - I **am** working
  - You (we, they) **are** working
  - She (he, it) **is** working
- In questions (**be** - the first place) and in negative sentences:
  - *Are you working? Is he working?*
  - *They are not (aren't) working. No, he isn't (is not) working.*

## Use:

- Actions at the moment (around the time) of speaking, temporary actions: e.g. *I am working now. I am living at the hotel (only now)*
- Arrangements. e.g. *We are meeting at 6 p.m. Мы встретимся в 6*
- Annoyance: *You are constantly listening . Вечно ты слушаешь.*
- **Time expressions:** *now, currently, at the moment, this week (month, year, these days, at present, nowadays, still...*

# Present Continuous (Progressive) vs Present Simple?



## English speakers

use 12 tenses, ask:

1. What kind of action?
2. When?

## Correct

Правильно выбирая время,  
спросите себя в этом порядке:

1. Какого рода  
действие?
2. Когда происходит?

## Russians

use 3 tenses: Present, Past,  
Future and ask:

When?

# Comparison of tenses. Сравнение времён

## Present Simple

1. **Permanent state** - Постоянное состояние:

**Water melts.** (Вода тает - вообще в природе)

2. **Scheduled actions, timetable** - расписание:

**My work starts at 9 o'clock.** Моя работа начинается в 9. (Это постоянное расписание)

## Present Continuous

1. **Temporary state** - Временное состояние:

**I am melting ice in my fridge now.**

Я "растаиваю" лёд в своём холодильнике сейчас (это временный процесс)

2. **Arrangement** - Договорённость заранее:

**We are meeting tomorrow.** Мы встречаемся завтра. (Мы договорились, это не расписание)

3. **Annoyance** - Раздражение:

**You are always making a noise.** Ты вечно шумишь. Стилистический эффект за счёт использования слов из Present Simple **always, constantly**

## Home task:

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