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WHAT TO KNOW!

Using Correct Time Expressions

The **simple present tense** is used to talk about things that happen regularly, repeatedly or all the time. As a result of this, we often use **time expressions** with the simple present tense to state how often somebody does something.

Present Simple Time Expressions

One-word time expressions:

always	often	usually	sometimes
hardly	ever	never	rarely

Examples:

- I always have a shower in the morning.
- We usually spend our free time in the evening.
- He often goes to work by car.
- Robert sometimes helps me with the housework.
- My brother hardly ever visits us.
- We rarely eat out.
- My friends never drink alcohol.

Multi-word time expressions:

in the morning	in the afternoon	in the evening	at noon	at midday
at night	at dawn	at the weekend	every day/week/month	
twice a year	3 times a day	several times a month		

Examples:

- The postman comes **twice a day**.
- We go to the park **six times a year**.
- She goes to the market **on Friday mornings**.
- **At weekends**, I usually stay in bed until 10 o'clock.
- Dad finishes car cleaning **at dawn**.

REMEMBER

- The present tense of the verb is used to express an action that happens regularly or habitually.
- Time expressions like every day, every week, once a month, and yearly show present tense.
- Singular subjects and pronouns like he, she, or it, use the present singular form of the verbs when we talk about a singular subject, -s or es added to a verb.
- Plural subjects take the base form of the verb when expressing the present tense.



A. Directions: Identify the time expression used in each sentence that expresses an action that happens regularly or habitually. Write the letter of your answer on a separate sheet of paper.

1. She walks to school with Peter every Monday.
A. She
B. walks
C. Peter
D. every Monday
2. Cora works for eight hours every day.
A. every day
B. Cora
C. works
D. for eight hours
3. It usually rains here on this side of the planet.
A. usually
B. It
C. rains
D. side of the planet
4. They sleep together every afternoon.
A. They
B. sleep
C. together
D. every afternoon

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5. My mother never tell lies.
A. My
B. mother
C. never
D. lies
6. The course is offered every year.
A. The
B. course
C. offered
D. every year
7. You go to holiday every summer.
A. You
B. every summer
C. go
D. to holiday
8. She swims at the pool every Sunday.
A. She
B. swims
C. at the pool
D. every Sunday
9. She visits the gallery once a month.
A. once a month
B. gallery
C. She
D. go to
10. We see them every week.
A. see
B. We
C. every week
D. them

B. Directions: Choose the correct verb form in the parenthesis. Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Jandi and Robi (play-plays) every afternoon.
2. We always (eat-eats) dinner in the dining room.
3. My granny (visit-visits) us every weekend.
4. Jack often (copy-copies) my notes in Science.
5. I seldom (go-goes) shopping at high-end stores.
6. I (wake-wakes) up at 7:30 every morning.
7. They (do-does) their homework after dinner.
8. My mom always (read-reads) the morning paper.

9. Jay and Mara (drink-drinks) at the café on Friday.

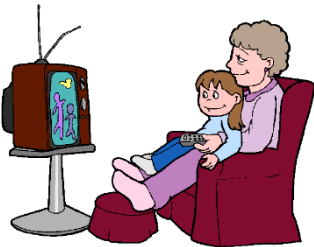
10. The team (play-plays) basketball every month.

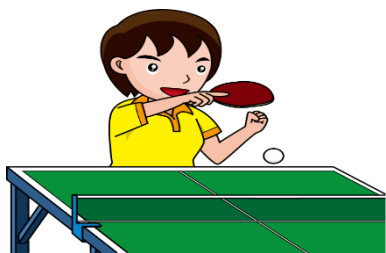


A. Directions: Read the sentences carefully. Write **YES** if it has a time expression used and **NO** if it doesn't have. Do this on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Jazzy brushes her teeth twice a day.
2. He goes to school by walking with his parents.
3. Once a month, Jan Rane visits his grandmother.
4. He gets up and fixes his bed very neatly.
5. Every morning, mother prepares food.
6. We drink iced coffee with friends.
7. He catches the train every morning.
8. They go to a gallery every first Sunday of the month.
9. We want to give an early birthday treat for my teacher.
10. I jog around the neighborhood to stay fit.

B. Directions: Write a sentence for each item using the given time expressions.

 Every day Ex: <u>Jandi swims every day for practice.</u>	 rarely 1. They _____
	



after school

2. Rose _____

always

3. Jade _____

on



Sundays

4. Mr. Smith _____

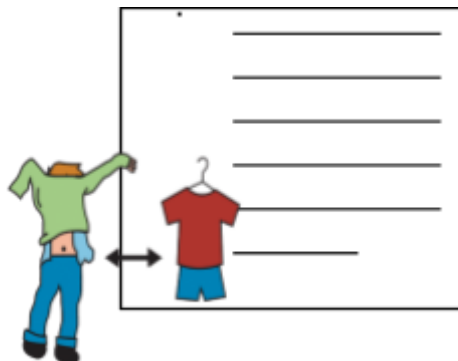
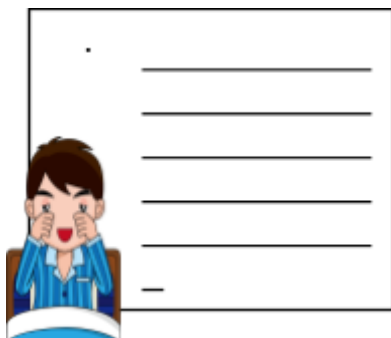


twice a year

5. Jio _____



A. Directions: Below are activities that you do every day. Write a sentence that will describe each picture using the present tense of the verbs. Do this on a separate sheet of paper.



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B. Directions: Answer the questions with different time expressions.

Examples:

How often do you go to gym? **Answer: I go to gym every Tuesday.**

How often do you clean the house? **Answer: I always clean the house.**

1. How often do you speak English? _____.
2. How often do you watch TV? _____.
3. How often do you read a book? _____.
4. How often do you brush your teeth? _____.
5. How often do you play in the computer? _____.

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Starter:	
Activity A:	Activity B:
1. D	1. play
2. A	2. eat
3. A	3. visits
4. D	4. copies
5. D	5. go
6. C	6. wake
7. B	7. do
8. D	8. reads
9. A	9. drink
10. C	10. plays
Take Off:	
Activity A:	Activity B:
1. YES	6. NO
2. NO	7. YES
3. YES	8. YES
4. NO	9. NO
5. YES	10. NO
Fly High:	
Activity A:	Activity B:
Answers may vary.	
Activity A:	
Answers may vary.	
Activity B:	
Answers may vary.	