

LEARNING ENGLISH: THE FIRST STEPS

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Part Five: Grammar: The Present Tense

Examples:

1. Hi, **let** me tell you about my day. First, I **get up** at 8.00, then I **brush** my teeth, **have** a shower, and **eat** breakfast. I **go** to work at 8.50, and I **start** work at 9.30. Then I **have** lunch at 1.00, and **finish** work at 5.30. I **go** to bed at 11.00. That's my day!

2. Hi! My name **is** Chang. I'm from China. I'm 24 years old, I'm short and I **have** black hair. I **like** music and films too. I also **like** to read books. I **play** football and I **study** English. I'm very happy to meet you!

3. Hi Chris, **do** you **have** a hobby?

Yes, I **read** books.

Oh, I **like** books too. **Do** you **like** to watch TV?

Yes, I **watch** TV every day. I **like** drama and comedy and I **like** the news too.

I **go** to the gym on Sundays.

Me too! Let's **go** together.

Fantastic!

Key Vocabulary:

day	music	comedy
get up	film	news
brush	too	gym
shower	read	Sunday
breakfast	football	together
work	study	fantastic
start	happy	
lunch	hobby	
finish	watch	
bed	drama	

Grammar: Verb – “to give”

to give (dar)	
Singular	Plural
I give	We give
You give	You give
He gives	They give
She gives	
It gives	

Rules for the Present Tense:

Para a terceira pessoa (he, she, it), geralmente o verbo simplesmente se aumenta com "s".

Examples:

I walk, he/she/it walks

I send, he/she/it sends

I see, he/she/it sees

I take, he/she/it takes

I wait, he/she/it waits

I calculate, he/she/it calculates

As vezes, o verbo se aumenta numa forma diferente:

.....o --> + es	do --> does, go --> goes
.....ss --> + es	pass --> passes, kiss --> kisses
.....x --> + es	fix --> fixes, mix --> mixes
.....ch --> + es	match --> matches, catch --> catches
.....sh --> + es	push --> pushes, rush --> rushes
.....(cons.) y --> +ies	try --> tries, marry --> marries
.....(vowel) y --> + s	buy --> buys, pay --> pays

Exercise 5a. Completar as frases:

1. He _____ bread for breakfast. (eat)
2. She _____ work at 9.00. (start)
3. David _____ some candy. (want)
4. Charlie _____ films. (like)
5. He _____ the piano. (play)
6. It _____ great! (look)
7. He _____ to school. (go)
8. She _____ her mother. (kiss)
9. The baby _____ a lot. (cry)
10. Charlie _____ a fish. (catch)
11. He _____ the car. (fix)
12. Susan _____ her homework (do)
13. The bird _____ in the sky. (fly)
14. He _____ homework in the evening. (do)
15. Sarah _____ to English class. (go)
16. The boy _____ the ball. (catch)
17. Jenny _____ her family. (miss)
18. The teacher _____ us. (teach)