

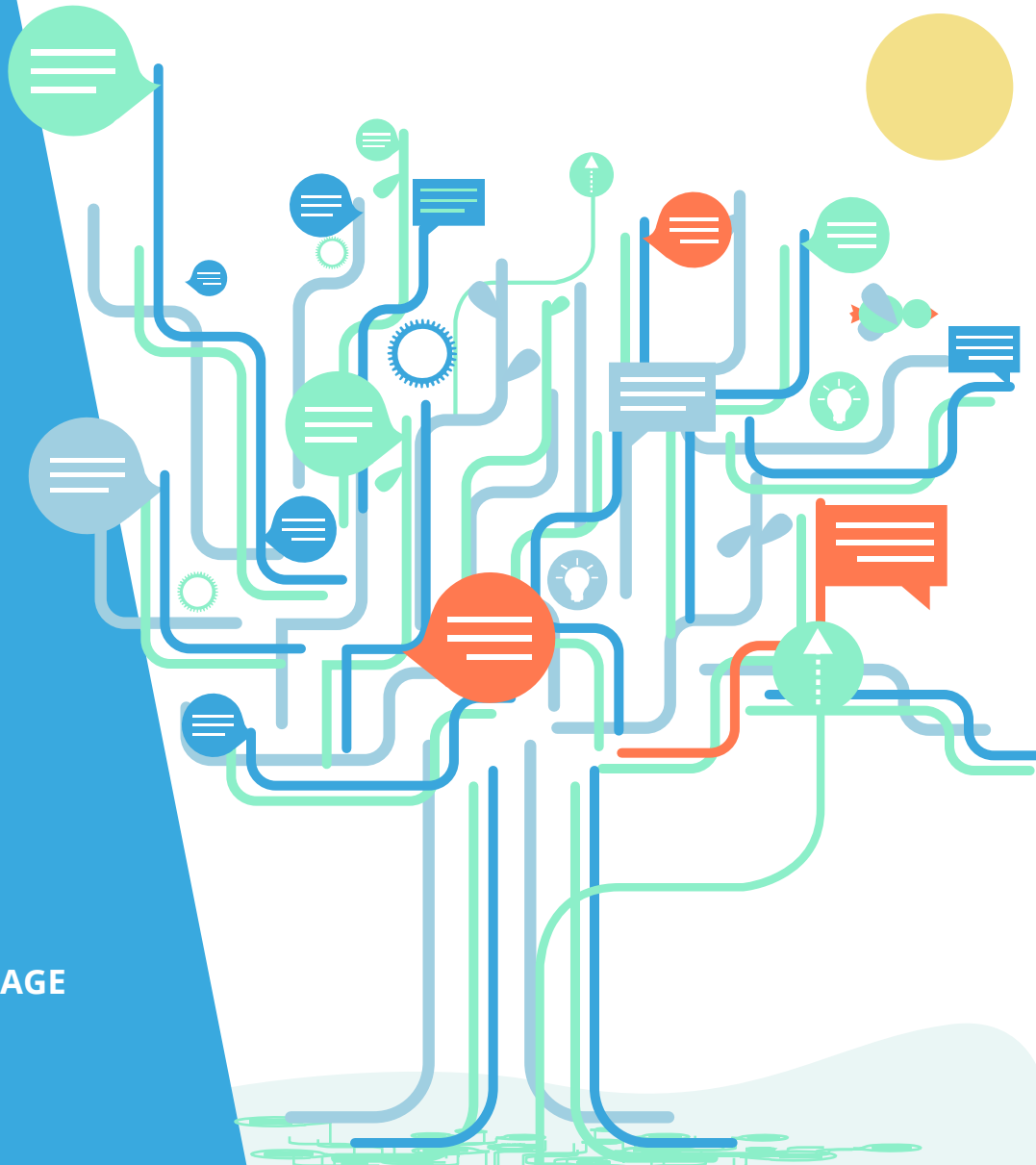
Reviewing the present tense

GRAMMAR

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Beginner

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English

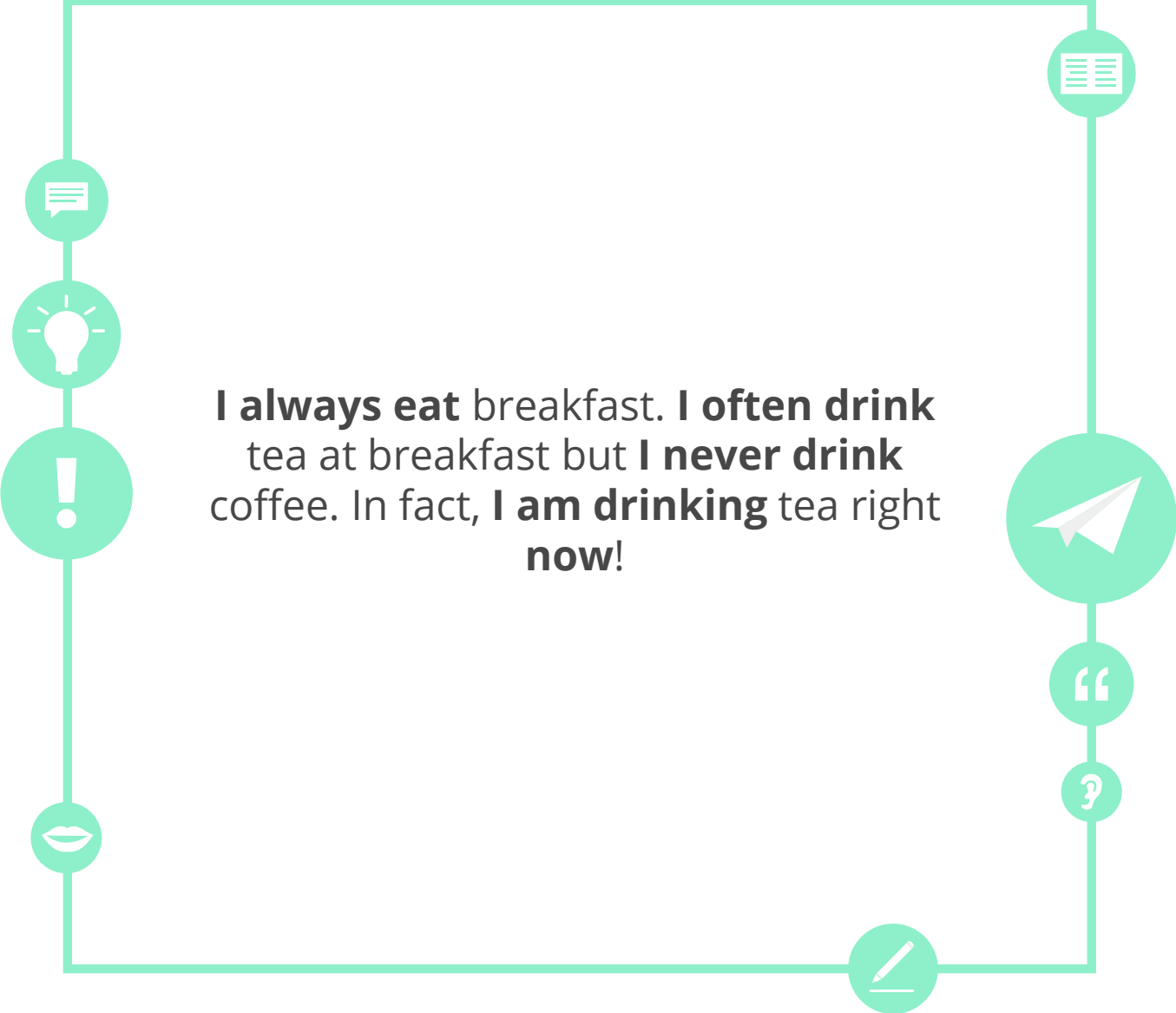




Goals

- Can confidently determine when to use the present simple and when to use the present continuous
- Can correctly spell some irregular '-ing' forms





I always eat breakfast. **I often drink** tea at breakfast but **I never drink** coffee. In fact, **I am drinking** tea right **now!**



The present simple

- We use **the present simple** to talk about routines, e.g. what we do every day
 - We can use the adverbs **always**, **often** and **never**

always	often	never
I always clean my teeth before bed.	I often eat pasta for dinner.	I never watch football on television.
I always eat breakfast.	I often drink coffee in the morning.	I never drink coffee before bed.



The present simple

We also use **the present simple** to talk about things that are **generally true** and for **facts**. If something is **generally true**, it is true now but maybe it will change in the future. A **fact** is true forever.

generally true	facts
I live in England.	Water boils at 100 degrees centigrade.
I love chocolate.	Tigers eat meat.



He, she and it in the present simple



This is an exception to the rule.

I, you, we, they		He, she, it
go	→	goes
eat	→	eats
play	→	plays
drink	→	drinks
watch	→	watches



Match the sentence to the picture

1. I live in Canada.

2. I always drink milk in the morning.

3. I often eat meat.

4. The Moon moves around the Earth.



A



B



C



D



Choose the correct option

John and Alex _____ best friends. They _____ to go to a bar in the evening. Every Saturday John _____ football. Alex _____ to go to the gym. He goes every Sunday.



prefers

are

like

plays



Which verb is the odd one out?
Clue: think about their third person form.

eat

drink

watch

play

get

meet



Transform the sentences from first person singular to third person singular

1. I play football on Fridays.

→ He plays football on Fridays.

2. I eat breakfast every day.

→ _____

3. I go to school.

→ _____

4. I drink water in the morning.

→ _____

5. I watch TV in the evening.

→ _____



Complete the sentences

Complete the sentences with one of the verbs to tell the teacher what you do.

Use these verbs: go, eat, play, drink and watch.

1. On Sundays I...
2. On Monday morning I...
3. On Thursday evening I...
4. Every lunchtime I...
5. On Saturdays I usually...



The present continuous

- We use the **present continuous** to talk about things that are happening now
 - We make the present continuous with **be + -ing**
 - We can use the words **now**, **at the moment** and **look!**

now	at the moment	look!
I am playing now.	She is eating at the moment.	Look! He is singing.
We are learning English now.	It is raining at the moment.	Look! They are eating chocolate.



The present continuous



This is an exception to the rule.

Some verbs change their spelling when we add *-ing*

travel	→	travelling
control	→	controlling
die	→	dying
lie	→	lying



Fill in the gaps

Choose the correct verb and put it into its -ing form to fill the gaps.

die

control

travel

rain

lie

1. I don't believe you! You are _____.
2. He can't answer his phone. He is _____ by plane right now.
3. Did you put water on the flowers? I think they are _____.
4. James is _____ the company while his boss is on holiday.
5. The weather is terrible. It is _____ so hard!





What is happening in these pictures?

A



B



C



D





Match the beginnings and endings

He is

She never dinner at the moment.

We are **They**
going **always**

to the **takes the bus**
cinema. **to work.**

eat dinner at **going to work**
6pm. **now.**

I am eating



When do we use these words?

Present simple

Present continuous

always

at the moment

right now

never

sometimes

every day

look!

on Fridays...



Present simple or continuous?

1. He is _____ a bike at the moment.

a. ride

b. riding

2. We are _____ English now.

a. learning

b. learn

3. I _____ tea every morning.

a. am drinking

b. drink

4. They are _____ to Paris at the moment.

a. travelling

b. travel



Present simple or continuous?

1. He _____ to work at 9am every day.
2. She _____ to work at the moment.
3. We always _____ breakfast together.
4. They _____ in the bar now.
5. I never _____ television.
6. Look! The dog _____ your newspaper.



eat

goes

watch

are sitting

is eating

is walking



Tell the teacher

I am learning
English!

- Think of 3 things you do every day and 3 things you are doing now. Tell your teacher.



Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no



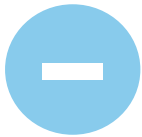


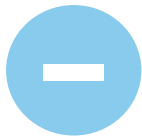
Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?









If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again





Answer key

Exercise p. 7

1. D, 2. C, 3. A, 4. B

Exercise p. 8

are, like, plays prefers

Exercise p. 9

watch because it takes -es not just -s

Exercise p. 10

2. He eats, 3. He goes, 4. He drinks, 5. He watches

Exercise p. 14

1. lying, 2. travelling, 3. dying, 4. controlling, 5. raining

Exercise p. 15

Example answers: A. He is playing the piano, B. She is eating, C. She is listening to music, D. She is shopping.

Exercise p. 16

He is going to work now – She never takes the bus to work – I am eating dinner at the moment – They always eat dinner at 6pm – We are travelling to the cinema at the moment.

Exercise p. 17

Present simple: always, never, sometimes, every day, on Fridays,

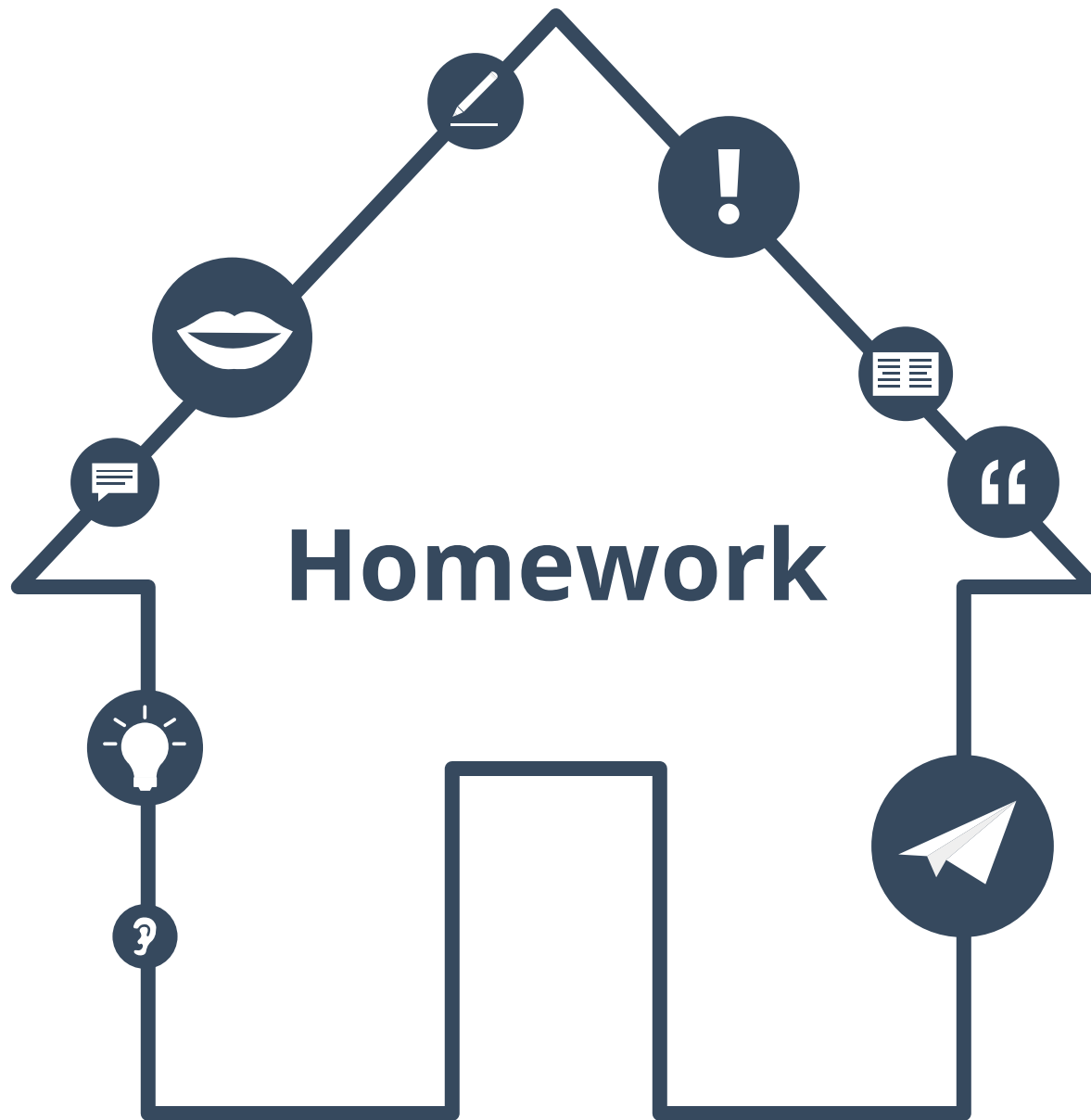
Present continuous: at the moment, right now, look!

Exercise p. 18

1. B, 2. A, 3. B, 4. A

Exercise p. 19

1. goes, 2. is walking, 3. eat, 4. are sitting, 5. watch, 6. is eating





Fill in the gaps

1. I never _____ meat.
2. She _____ the guitar now.
3. We _____ a film at the moment.
4. They often _____ football after school.
5. He _____ in London.
6. Look! He _____ a new book.
7. She often _____ a glass of wine with dinner.
8. I _____ for my watch at the moment.

am looking

is reading

play

is playing

eat

are watching

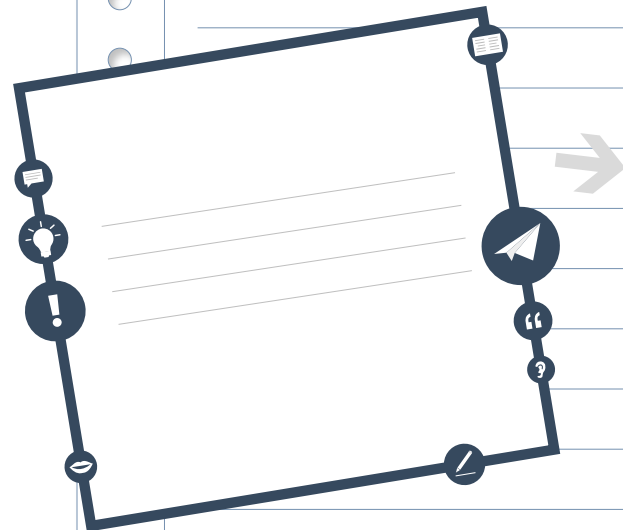
lives

drinks



Text at the beginning

**Go back to the text on page 3
and find examples of
the grammar topic of this lesson in it.
Write them down.**



Copy parts of the text
that are examples of
topic of the lesson.



Find the verbs

**Find the verbs in this lesson and write them down.
Which are new? Do you know all of them?
Look these words up.**

Verbs



Sentences in the first person plural

**Choose five sentences from this lesson.
Copy them and write them about you and a friend.**





Examples:





I don't understand



→ My friend Maria and I don't understand.



He has a book



→ We have a book



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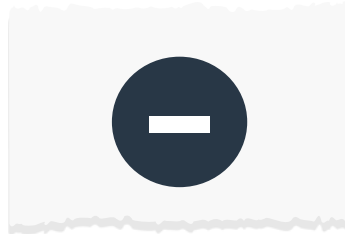




Easy or difficult?

Is the grammar topic of this lesson...
easy or difficult?

Write down what is difficult for you and what is easy.

A vertical rectangular area with a light gray background, featuring a series of horizontal lines for writing. On the left side, there are several small circles, suggesting it is a page from a spiral-bound notebook.



Homework answer key

1. eat, 2. is playing, 3. are watching, 4. play, 5. lives, 6. is reading, 7. drinks, 8. am looking



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