

Third Person Singular (simple present)

Introduction

This worksheet practices the Simple Present tense for third person singular (he/she/it) in affirmative and negative sentences and asking/answering questions.

Before the Lesson

Print (A4 size) the two page worksheet as many times as you need for the amount of students you have.

In the Lesson

Provide each student with a copy of the two-page worksheet.

First, the students will complete exercise 1 to review the endings of verbs for he/she/it. Explain that there are a few exceptions to these rules. Also point out that verbs that end in -y with a vowel before just add an -s.

In exercise 2, as students sort the verbs, have them also write the third person singular ending in the correct columns. For the second part of exercise 2, check their sentences for spelling/grammatical errors, then have each student pick 2-3 sentences to read aloud.

Students complete exercise 3, then do exercise 4. They can work with a partner for exercise 4 when needed, but make sure they all know how to form questions with Do/Does.

Follow instructions for exercise 5.

Exercise 1 answer key

1. -s 2. -es 3. -ies

Exercise 2 answer key

-s ending -es ending -ies ending

asks	catches	tries
likes	fixes	cries
pays	washes	flies
writes	does	
says	mixes	
wants	searches	
cooks		
understands		

Exercise 4 answer key

student answers

Exercise 3 answer key

1. plays	5. watches
2. goes	6. chases
3. rains	7. relaxes
4. studies	8. cries

Exercise 5 answer key

1. goes
2. plays
3. doesn't
4. doesn't

Focus	Aim	Level	Time
Third Person Singular	Use the simple present tense for third person singular in affirmative and negative sentences	A1	35 minutes

THIRD PERSON SINGULAR

When we use he/she/it, *third person singular*, in the simple present tense, we change the verb endings.

1 Write the correct verb ending on the line.

1. For most verbs, simply add an: _____
2. Verbs ending in -ch, -sh, -x, -s, or -o: _____
3. Verbs ending in a consonant + y: _____

**Remember: there are some exceptions to these rules.*



2 Sort the verbs into the box with the correct ending for third person singular in the simple present tense.

ask like try pay catch fix write say cry
fly want wash cook do understand mix search

-s	-es	-ies

Choose 5 verbs from the boxes and write 5 affirmative he/she/it sentences.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

3 Add -s, -es, or -ies to the verbs in brackets to complete the sentences.

1. She (play)_____ soccer on weekends.
2. He (go)_____ to bed at 10 pm every night.
3. It (rain)_____ a lot in April.
4. He (study)_____ hard for his exams.
5. She (watch)_____ movies every Friday with her friends.
6. The dog (chase)_____ the ball when you throw it.
7. He (relax)_____ on Sundays.
8. The parrot, Karl, (cry)_____ when it's hungry.



4 Choose 4 sentences from exercise 3. Change them into questions, then provide a short yes/no answer for each using the (+) or(-) as guidance.

example: Does she play soccer on weekends? No, she doesn't.

1. _____ + _____
2. _____ + _____
3. _____ - _____
4. _____ - _____

5 Each sentence below has a mistake. Cross out the mistake and correctly rewrite it on the line.

1. She go to the gym every morning. _____
2. He play chess with his friends on Saturdays. _____
3. It rains a lot in the summer, do it? _____
4. She don't like to eat vegetables. _____