

Simple Present -s -es -ies Rules



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	I live	you live	he/she/it live s	we live	they live
	I stop	you stop	he/she/it stop s	we stop	they stop



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 You **live** near my brother. She **lives** in Liverpool.
 We **stop** the lessons at 5.00. The train **stops** at York.



How to make he/she/it forms

- most verbs: + **-s** work -----> work**s** know -----> know**s** rain -----> rain**s**
- -s, -sh, -ch, -x: + **-es** pass -----> pass**es** wash -----> wash**es** teach -----> teach**es** mix -----> mix**es**
- exceptions: go -----> go**es** do -----> do**es** have -----> ha**s**

1 Write the he/she/it forms.

catch	come	cook	drink	fetch	fix	live	miss	push
read	run	smoke	stand	start	touch	watch	wish	write

+ -s:

+ -ES:



Verbs ending in -Y

vowel + y: -ay, -ey, -oy, -uy + **-s** say -----> say**s**
 consonant + y -dy, -ly, -py, -ry, etc: **-y**-----> **-ies** fly -----> fly**ies**



2 Write the he/she/it forms.

buy	carry	copy	enjoy	fry	marry	play	stay	study	try
+ -s:	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
-Y-----> -ies	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

3 Put the words in the correct order.

- 1 eats dog too your much
.....
- 2 live I that house in
.....
- 3 bank Ann in a works
.....
- 4 badly violin plays the very Emily
.....
- 5 China those from children come
.....
- 6 young very look you
.....

4 Circle the correct answers.

- 1 We/ My friend always wear old clothes.
- 2 You /Matt always wears nice clothes.
- 3 We all / The boss thinks you're wonderful.
- 4 I / Jessica want a new job.
- 5 Bread / Books costs a lot.
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- 7 Sue / Sue and Pedro like parties.
- 8 You / She drive too fast.
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