

# Present Simple Tense

## Questions ( with action verbs)

I / We / You / They – **do**

He / She / It – **does**

Examples : Sam speaks English.

Felix's dad cooks the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City.

We travel to Boston every summer.

Boys like sports.

### 1. General question (Yes / No question)

Formula: Do / Does (subject) (verb ~~X~~) (complement)?

Does Sam speak English?

Does Felix's dad cook the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City?

Do you travel to Boston every summer?

Do boys like sports?

### 2. Special question (wh- question: who, what, where, when, why, how, etc.)

Formula: (Wh-question) do / does (subject) (verb ~~X~~) (complement)?

\*(Who) (verb+S) (complement)?

Who speaks English?

What language does Sam speak?

Where does Sam speak English?

When does Sam speak English?

Why does Sam speak English?

Who cooks the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City?

What does Felix's dad cook?

Why does Felix's dad cook the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City?

How does Felix's dad cook the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City?

Who travels to Boston every summer?

Where do you travel every summer?

When do you travel to Boston?

Why do you travel to Boston every summer?

What do you do every summer?

Who likes sports?

What do boys like?

Why do boys like sports?

### 3. Alternative question (or)

Formula: Do / Does (subject) OR (subject) (verb~~X~~) (complement)?  
Do / Does (subject) (verb~~X~~) OR (verb~~X~~) (complement)?  
Do / Does (subject) (verb~~X~~) (complement) OR (complement)?

Does Sam or Andy speak English?

Does Sam speak English or French?

Does Felix's dad or mom cook the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City?

Does Felix's dad cook the best General Tso's chicken or lasagna?

Does Felix's dad cook the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City or Montreal?

Do you or your friends travel to Boston every summer?

Do you travel to Boston or Vancouver every summer?

Do you travel to Boston every summer or winter?

Do boys or girls like sports?

Do boys like sports or books?

### 4. Tag question (n'est-ce pas?)

Formula: (Subject) (verb) (complement), **don't** (pronoun)?  
(Subject) (verb+S) (complement), **doesn't** (pronoun)?  
(Subject) don't (verb) (complement), **do** (pronoun)?  
(Subject) doesn't (verb) (complement), **does** (pronoun)?

Sam speaks English, doesn't he?

Sam doesn't speak English, does he?

Felix's dad cooks the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City, doesn't he?

Felix's dad doesn't cook the best General Tso's chicken in Quebec City, does he?

We travel to Boston every summer, don't we?

We don't travel to Boston every summer, do we?

Boys like sports, don't they?

Boys don't like sports, do they?