



Paco travels to South Africa: Paco arrives in South Africa



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Present Simple vs. Present Continuous

Present Simple: habits, routines, present interests, likes and dislikes

Subject + verb + (Indirect Ob.) + (Direct Ob.) + (Complements)

E.g.: Paco's family miss him a lot

E.g.: Paco likes Anthropology (3rd. person singular)

Present Continuous: actions occurring at the moment of speaking

Subject + verb (to be + -ing) + (Indirect Ob.) + (Direct Ob.) + (Complements)

E.g.: "I am studying History at University"

E.g.: Paco is flying to South Africa (3rd. person singular)



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Past Simple: actions that started and finished in the past, past habits, routines, interests, likes and dislikes

Subject + verb + (Indirect Ob.) + (Direct Ob.) + (Complements)

E.g.: Paco and Andrés used to play tennis

E.g.: Paco flew in a safe big British plane to the United States (3rd. person singular)



Attributive vs. Predicative Adjectives

Attributive adjectives: before the noun

E.g.: an American business man

Attention

Specific order according to type

E.g.: a safe (*opinion*) big (*size*) British (*origin*) plane

Predicative adjectives: after the verb

E.g.: Paco feels excited



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Past Continuous: actions that were in progress at a specific time in the past

Subject + verb + (Indirect Ob.) + (Direct Ob.) + (Complements)

E.g.: The American business man was reading a book when Paco sat down

E.g.: Paco was landing when he felt sick (3rd. person singular)



Comparative and Superlative Adjectives

Comparative:

1. Short adjectives: Adjective + -er than...

E.g.: Planes are safer than cars or coaches

2. Long adjectives: more + adjective than...

E.g.: Travelling by plane is more expensive than travelling by car

Superlative:

1. Short adjectives: Adjective + -est (in/of...)

E.g.: The car is not the safest way of travelling

2. Long adjectives: most + adjective (in/of...)

E.g.: The plane is the most expensive means of transport in the world