



Paco: Paco always does the lottery



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The Present Simple Tense

Used to talk about:

- * everyday activities
- * habits and routines
- * permanent situations
- * likes and dislikes
- * scheduled events
- * verbs expressing possession,
senses,
emotions, and mental
activities.

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The Present Simple Tense

Positive:

Subject + Verb + Indirect Object + Direct Object + How + Where + When

Negative (except modal verbs and To be):

Subject + DO/DOES + NOT + Verb (bare Infinitive) + Indirect Object + Direct Object + How + Where + When

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Adverbs of frequency

Used to express how often an action occurs.

- ◆ always
- ◆ usually
- ◆ often
- ◆ sometimes
- ◆ never

Position:

Before the main verb

Paco never drinks alcohol

After the verb "to be"

You are always goofing off

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Other ways to express frequency

◆ other adverbs

⇒ once, twice...

⇒ daily, weekly, monthly, yearly...

⇒ constantly, continuously...

◆ adverbial phrases

⇒ once, twice, three times a
day/week...

⇒ every
morning/afternoon/day/week...

⇒ on Mondays/weekdays/weekends...

⇒ from time to time, again and again...

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Wordformation: Adverbs

Form:

Adding suffix –ly to the adjective:

short → shortly

complete → completely

happy → happily

Not all words ending in –ly are adverbs: *costly*, *lovely*, or *friendly*, for example, are not adverbs but adjectives.

Types of adverbs:

- * Frequency: *always, usually, often...*
- * Manner: *well, quickly, badly, happily...*
- * Time: *today, tomorrow, in June, next month, last year...*
- * Place: *here, there, everywhere, somewhere...*
- * Degree or completeness: *almost, completely...*
- * Certainty: *certainly, obviously, perhaps...*
- * Comment and viewpoint: *clearly, presumably, surely...*