

What is Present Simple (Présent)?

Worksheet

Présent tense describes current or habitual actions using verb conjugations that vary by subject (je parle, tu parles, il/elle parle). Regular verbs follow predictable patterns; irregular verbs must be memorized.

Questions

1. Conjugate 'aller' for 'il/elle'.

- A) va
- B) allé
- C) allez
- D) vais

2. Which -er verb conjugation is correct?

- A) Tu mangez
- B) Vous mangez
- C) Nous mangez
- D) Ils mangez

3. What does 'Ils travaillent le weekend' mean?

- A) They will work
- B) They work on weekends
- C) They worked
- D) They are working tomorrow

4. Identify the irregular verb.

- A) parler
- B) chanter
- C) faire
- D) danser

5. Conjugate 'être' (to be) for je, tu, il/elle.

6. Conjugate regular '-er' verb 'manger' (to eat) for we, you, they.

7. What does 'Il joue au football' mean in English?

8. Define: What does Présent tense express?

9. Define: How do regular -er verbs conjugate?

10. Define: Name 3 common irregular verbs in Présent.

Answer Key

1. A) va — Il/elle va (he/she goes). This is a common irregular verb.
2. B) Vous mangez — Vous mangez (you eat, plural/formal). -ez is the vous ending.
3. B) They work on weekends — Present tense = habitual action: they work/they do work on weekends.
4. C) faire — Faire (to do/make) is highly irregular; others are regular -er or -ancer verbs.
5. Je suis Tu es Il/elle est (Être is highly irregular; must be memorized)
6. Nous mangeons (note: -g- before -o- to keep soft c sound) Vous mangez Ils/elles mangent
7. Subject: Il (he) Verb: joue (plays, from jouer) Meaning: He plays football (Simple present fact or habit)
8. Actions happening now or regular habits. Je parle = I speak/I am speaking.
9. Drop -er, add endings: -e, -es, -e, -ons, -ez, -ent.
10. Être (to be), avoir (to have), aller (to go) — conjugations must be memorized.

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