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 Lecture 12

The differences between Simple Present Tense and Present Continuous Tense

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1- Simple Present Tense

• Used for general truths, habits, and routines

• Examples

• "I eat breakfast every morning."

• "She works at a bank."

2. Present Continuous Tense:

• Used for actions happening at the present moment or around the current time.

• Examples:

• "I am studying for my exam right now."

• "They are playing soccer."

Key Differences:

• Simple Present: Describes general truths, habits, or routines.

• Present Continuous: Describes actions happening at the present moment or around the current time

We can use the present simple to talk about things we do regularly. We can use the present continuous to talk about things we are doing now.

I play basketball every Sunday.

I'm playing hockey now.

She eats fruit every day.

She's eating an apple now.

How to use them

For the present simple, add s or es for he, she and it. For the negative, use don't for I, you, we and they, and doesn't for he, she and it.

I watch cartoons every day. I don't watch the news.

My dad makes dinner every evening. He doesn't make lunch.

For the present continuous, use am, is or are and ing. For the negative, use not.

I'm going to the park now. I'm not going to school.

She's studying English now. She isn't studying maths.

For present simple questions, use do for I, you, we and they and does for he, she and it. For present continuous questions, change the order of am, is or are and the person.

What time do you wake up every morning?

Does she walk to school every day?

Are you doing your homework now?

What is he doing right now?

• Multiple Choice

It is raining cats and dogs. We'd better stay at home>

Are you coming to the party tonight?

He exercises regular

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