

# Present Simple with Songs

Pre-Intermediate level

# Warm-up

Read the sentences in the Present Simple and make up negative forms and questions.

For example: *They dance at the party. They don't dance at the party. Do they dance at the party?*

The Smiths are in London.

His dog is clever.

The boys have bikes.

Ann has a doll.

We go to school.

He builds a new house.

She takes her books.

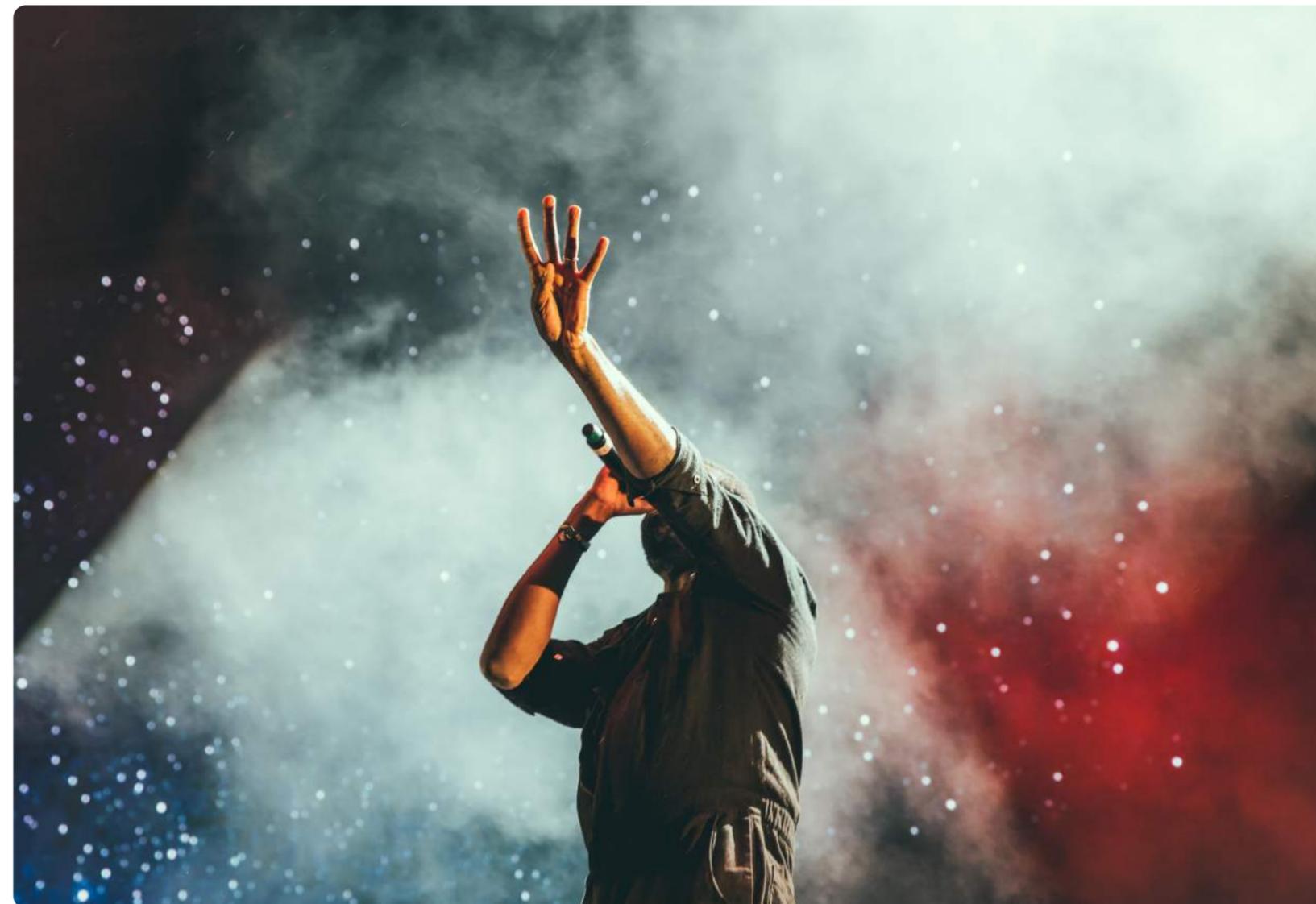
We get up at 8 o'clock.



# Task 1. Listen (0:00–0:46) and choose correct words

“Feel” by Robbie Williams

Come and **hold/cold** my hand  
I wanna **contact/contacts** the living  
Not sure I **understand/understands**  
This role I've been given  
I **sit/stand** and **talk/walk** to God  
And he just **laugh/laughs** at my plans  
My head **speak/speaks** a language  
I **understand/don't understand**



Listen one more time and write down 10 verbs from the song. Change them to the third person singular (he, she, it)

	Verb	3rd person
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

	Verb	3rd person
6.	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____
8.	_____	_____
9.	_____	_____
10.	_____	_____

# Task 2. Fill in the blanks with the simple present form of the verb in parentheses. Listen and check your answers

## “For No One” by The Beatles

Your day (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (break), your mind (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (ache)  
You (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (find) that all her words of kindness (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (linger) on  
When she no longer (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (need) you  
She (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (wake) up, she (7) \_\_\_\_\_ (make) up  
She (8) \_\_\_\_\_ (take) her time and (9) \_\_\_\_\_ (feel, negative)  
she (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (have) to hurry  
She no longer (11) \_\_\_\_\_ (need) you

And in her eyes you (12) \_\_\_\_\_ (see) nothing  
No sign of love behind the tears cried for no one  
A love that should have lasted years  
You (13) \_\_\_\_\_ (want) her, you (14) \_\_\_\_\_ (need) her  
And yet you (15) \_\_\_\_\_ (believe, negative) her  
When she (16) \_\_\_\_\_ (say) her love is dead  
You (17) \_\_\_\_\_ (think) she (18) \_\_\_\_\_ (need) you  
You (20) \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) home, she (21) \_\_\_\_\_ (go) out  
She (22) \_\_\_\_\_ (say) that long ago she knew someone  
But now he's gone

She (23) \_\_\_\_\_ (need, negative) him

Your day (24) \_\_\_\_\_ (break) , your mind (25) \_\_\_\_\_ (ache)

There will be times

When all the things she said will fill your head

You won't forget her



# Task 3. Underline the correct forms. Then **listen** (0:00–1:26) and **check**

## “Just the Way You Are” by Bruno Mars

Oh, her eyes, her eyes 1. **make / makes** the stars 2. **look / looks** like they're not shinin'

Her hair, her hair 3. **fall / falls** perfectly without her trying

She's so beautiful and I 4. **tell / tells** her every day

Yeah, I know, I know when I 5. **compliment / compliments** her she won't believe me

And it's so, it's so sad to think that she 6. **don't / doesn't** see what I see

But every time she 7. **ask / asks me** "8. **Do / Does** I look okay?"

I 9. **say / says**

When I 10. **see / sees** your face

There's not a thing that I would change 'cause you're amazing

Just the way you are

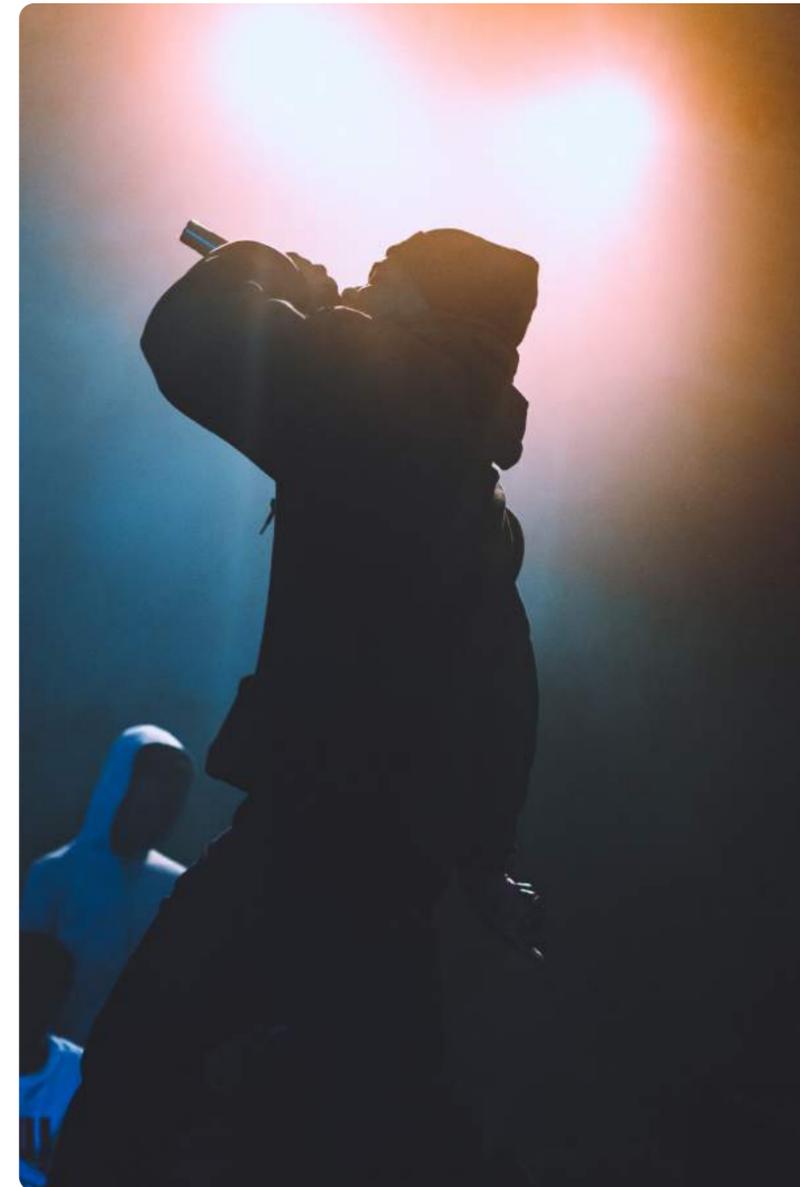
And when you **11. smile / smiles**

The whole world **12. stop / stops** and **13. stare / stares** for a while

'Cause, girl, you're amazing

Just the way you are

Yeah



# Task 4. Listen (0:00–0:50) and complete with the correct verb

## “There’s Nothing Holding Me Back” by Shawn Mendes

I wanna follow where she 1. \_\_\_\_\_  
I 2. \_\_\_\_\_ about her and she 3. \_\_\_\_\_ it  
I wanna let her take control  
'Cause everytime that she 4. \_\_\_\_\_ close,  
yeah  
She 5. \_\_\_\_\_ me in enough to keep me  
guessing (mmm)

And maybe I should stop and start  
confessing  
Confessing, yeah  
Oh, I've been shaking  
I 6. \_\_\_\_\_ it when you 7. \_\_\_\_\_ crazy  
You 8. \_\_\_\_\_ all my inhibitions  
Baby, there's nothing holdin' me back

**Listen** (1:10–1:26). Put the sentences in the correct order and explain the form of the verbs in bold

- A. She really **doesn't like** to wait
- B. She **says** that she's never afraid
- C. Just picture everybody naked
- D. Not really into hesitation



# Task 5. Look at the pictures and guess the verbs. Then listen (0:00–0:33) and check

What tense is used in the song?

Today I don't 1.



like doing anything

I just wanna 2.



in my bed

Don't 3.



like picking up my phone

So 4.



a message at the tone

'Cause today I swear I'm not doing anything.

I'm gonna 5.



my feet up

Then 6.



at the fan

7.



, throw my hand in my pants

Nobody's gonna 8.



me I can't

# Write the verbs you heard in the song in the negative form

Verb	Negative form (I, you, we, they)		Negative form (he, she, it)	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

# Task 6. Listen (0:00–1:00) and choose the best answer. Explain your choice

## "Lucky" by Britney Spears

Early morning, she 1. \_\_\_\_\_

a) wakes up b) wake up c) waking up

Knock, knock, knock on the door

It's time for makeup, perfect smile

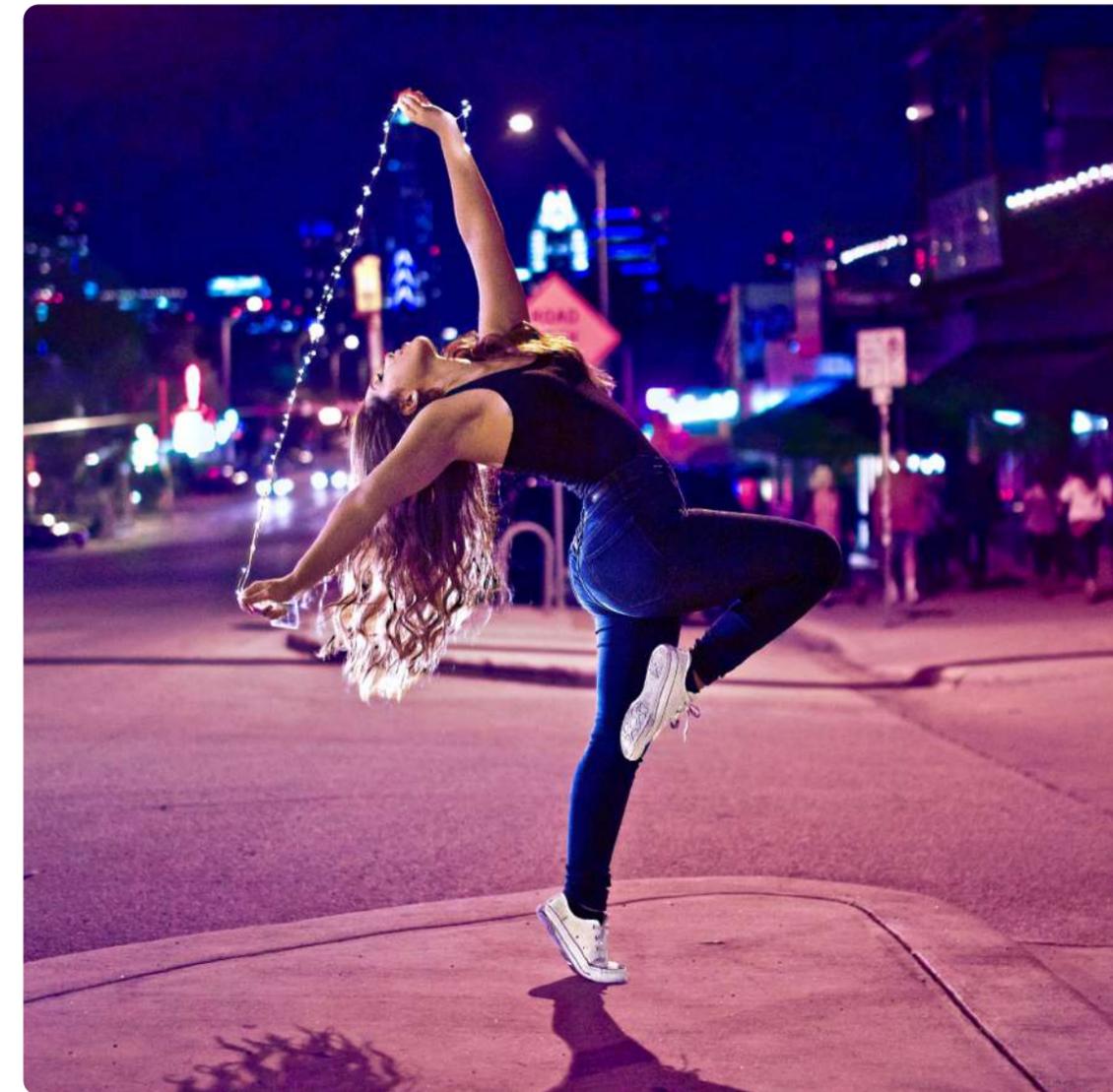
It's you they're all waiting for

They 2. \_\_\_\_\_, "Isn't she lovely, this Hollywood girl?"

a) goes b) go c) going

And they 3. \_\_\_\_\_

a) says b) say c) saying



"She 4. \_\_\_\_\_ so lucky, she's a star."

a) 's b) 'm c) 're

But she cry, cry, 5. \_\_\_\_\_ in her lonely heart, thinking

a) cryes b) cries c) crys

If there's nothing missing in my life

Then why 6. \_\_\_\_\_ these tears come at night?

a) do b) does c) are



# Task 7. Listen and correct the mistakes in the song. Explain your corrections

## “Friday I'm In Love” by The Cure

I **am not** care if Monday's blue  
Tuesday **'re** grey and Wednesday too  
Thursday I **am not** care about you  
It's Friday I **'s** in love  
Monday, you can **falls** apart  
Tuesday, Wednesday **breaks** my heart

Thursday **don't** even start  
It **'re** Friday I're in love  
Saturday **waits**  
And Sunday always **come** too late  
But Friday never **hesitates**

# Practise Present Simple forms and adverbs. Correct the sentences

## Forms

I don't care if Monday's blue - - - - - She \_\_\_\_\_ care if (use an auxiliary verb)  
Tuesday, Wednesday break my heart - - - - - \_\_\_\_\_ break my heart (use a pronoun)  
Thursday doesn't even start - - - - - \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't even start (use a pronoun)

1. Ann don't sing well.
2. She listen to music.
3. Tom doesn't wants to come.
4. We thanks mother.
5. He live in London.
6. Kate don't cooks dinner.
7. We walks in the park.
8. My sisters cries.
9. Little Tom don't cries.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_

# Order the adverbs correctly and answer the questions.

## Adverbs

And Sunday always comes too late  
But Friday never hesitate

sometimes rarely often

Always \_\_\_\_\_ never

1. What do you always do on Monday?
2. What do you never do on Sunday?
3. What do you sometimes do on Friday?
4. What do you rarely do on Tuesday?
5. What do you often do on Wednesday?

# Keys

## Task 1

Hold, contact, understand, sit, talk, laughs, speaks, don't understand

## Task 2

1. breaks 2. aches 3. find 4. linger 5. needs 6. wakes 7. makes 8. takes 9. doesn't feel 10. has 11. needs 12. see 13. want 14. need 15. don't believe 16. says 17. think 18. needs 19. see 20. stay 21. goes 22. says 23. doesn't need 24. breaks 25. aches

## Task 3

1. make 2. look 3. falls 4. tell 5. compliment 6. don't 7. asks 8. Do 9. say 10. see 11. smile 12. stops 13. stares 14. hates 15. tell 16. Look

## Task 4

1. goes 2. think 3. knows 4. gets 5. pulls 6. love 7. go 8. take // B, C, A, D

## Task 5

1. feel 2. lay 3. feel 4. leave 5. kick 6. stare 7. Turn the TV on 8. tell

# Keys

## Task 6

1. a
2. b
3. b
4. a
5. b
6. a

## Task 7

don't/s/don't/m/break/don't/s/m/wait/comes/hesitate