# Lesson 4-5.

## Present Simple (I do) or Present Progressive (I am doing)

#### **Summary**

### **Present Simple** (I do)

- Use the Present Simple to talk about **routine**, **habits**, **facts** and in **general**.
- What do you do? (What is your iob?)
- The sun rises in the East.
- Use the Present Simple for **permanent situations and actions**.
- My brother lives in Europe. He has a business there.
- Use adverbs of frequency: (How often...?)
  -always, usually, often, sometimes, rarely, never etc.
- **Time expressions**: once a week, every Tuesday, every year, each month

## **Present Progressive** (I am doing)

- Use the Present Progressive to talk about something that is happening now or around the time of speaking.
- -What are you doing? (right now)
- I am writing a course.
- Use the Present Progressive to talk about something in the future with clear intention.
- We are relocating to San Diego.
- -Use the Present Progressive for temporary situations and actions.
- I am staying with my friend until I find an apartment.
- **-Time expressions**: now, at the moment, today, at present etc.

#### The Stative verbs:

As mentioned in the video: these verbs are always used in their simple form. A quick reminder: "What the camera can't take a photo of!"

- **Thought/mental states**: believe, doubt, forget, imagine, know, realize, recognize, remember, think, suppose, recommend, assume, prefer etc.
- **Emotions**: like, love, want, need, hate, dislike, admire, wish etc.

- Senses: hear, feel, see, taste, and smell.
- **Possession**: belong to, contain, have, include, own, possess etc.
- Others: appear, look like, resemble, seem, exist etc.

Example: I believe it's a good idea to go out tonight.

### **Exceptions to the rule:**

- think: I think it's going to rain today.

I am thinking about moving to Costa Rica

- have: I have a nice house.

I am having dinner right now.

## Now let's put it all together and practice ©

- 1. She (is wearing/ wears/ wear) a great outfit tonight because she (dates/ dating/ is dating) a new guy.
- 2. Everyone (is/ does/ are) here except my mother.
- 3. I (don't eat/ not eating/ am not eating) meat this week because I am on a diet.
- 4. (Do you/ Are you/ you) believe in God?
- 5. They (throw/ are throwing/ throws) a surprise party for him this weekend.
- 6. Sara (doesn't/ isn't/ are) sending a message to her boss right now.
- 7. She (not like/ liking/ doesn't like) Japanese food because it (taste/ tasting / tastes) disgusting.
- 8. I am so sorry! I (am not understand/ don't understand/ not understanding) what you (say/ says/ are saying).
- 9. Oh Mom! This cake (smell / is smelling /smells) so mouthwatering. Can I have a piece?
- 10. I (am/ do/ are) not sure that I (knows / knowing / know) the answer to this question.
- 11. English is an easy language! You (aren't believing/ don't believe / believes) how fast you can learn it!
- 12. My dog (prefer/ prefers/ is preferring) the food I cook for him.

## Fill in the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

1. Hey! How time!	(you/do)? Didn't see you for a long	
2. I (be) fine. Coto drink?	Glad to see you again! W	ould you like something
3. Yes, a glass a wine, p in the city?	lease! How long	(you/stay)
4. I(stay) at the Hilton but the here at the Sheraton.	(stay) for a week. I us hey were full so I	sually (stay)
5. How about something	g to eat?	(you/like) sushi?
6. Oh, I absolutelyany good sushi restaurar	(love) it nts around here?	(you/know)
7. Yes, of course. There	(be) one i	right here on the corner.
8. So, how now?	(be) business in ou (you/make) progress	r London office right with the American deal?
9. Oh, I can'tabout that deal! It's such	(believe) you a disaster.	(ask) me
10. I_going to close that deal 1		ou were so sure you were
11. Apparently, the Ame	ericans (be) stuck.	_ (not/ want) to sign on
12. That (be) (forget) that the America	bad news. Sorry to hear ans can be so picky some	. I always etimes.
There is another deal I _	(make) mistakes from time to time (work) on at the moment with (look) promising.	
14. Well, I	_(wish) you good luck with that!	
15. Thanks! So, how	(be) the sushi?	
16. Oh, it here. I	(taste) delicious! Thank you for taking me _ (really enjoy) myself!	
17. My pleasure!		