



# University Centre Abdelhafid Boussof E- learning Centre



English –  
MA.1

## Lesson Three:

Present simple/continuous

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### **Objectives of the lesson:**

- The purpose of this lesson is to acquaint students with two distinct types of present tense, as well as their appropriate application in the English language.

# Present simple

The present tense is used to talk about:

1. The present: he **works** in marketing
2. The future: The next train **leaves** this evening at 17.00.
3. Something that is true in the present: I **am** 19 years old/ London **is** the capital of Britain.
4. something that happens regularly in the present: I **play** football every weekend
5. Something that is always true: The human body **contains** 206 bones.
6. We often use adverbs of frequency like “**sometimes, always and never**” with the present simple: I sometimes go to the gym/ she never plays football.

## Form: SUBJECT+VERB+OBJECT

- In the present simple, we add final **S** in the verb when we talk about **HE** or **SHE**.
- The negative form: We use **do** and **does** to make negatives with the present simple.
- We use “**doesn't**” for the third person singular (she/he/it) and “**don't**” for the others. For Example:
  - I **don't** work in marketing, I work in finances.
  - They **don't** organize meetings on Sunday.
  - The boss (he) **doesn't** like us to be late. (doesn't = does not)

# Present Continuous

We use the present continuous to talk about:

1. Activities at the moment of speaking: I am just **leaving** work. I will be home in an hour.
2. Plans or arrangements: Mary **is going** to a new school next term.

## Form : SUBJECT+ VERB-ING + OBJECT

- The present continuous is made from the present tense of the verb **be** and the **-ing** form of a verb: He **is working** at McDonald's.
- We make questions by putting “**am, is or are**” in front of the subject: **Are** you **listening**?
- We make negatives by putting “**not**” (or n't) after am, is or are:

I'm **not** doing that.

You aren't listening. (Or You're not listening.)