Present Tense

- **Present Tense** : Talking About Now
1. **Simple Present:** Used for habits and routines, and general truths and facts
    - ⊕ **Structure:**
- **Affirmative: Subject + Verb (base form / +s/es) + Object**
- **Negative: Subject + do/does + not + Verb (base form) + Object**
- **Question: Do/Does + Subject + Verb (base form) + Object**
    - ⊕ **Examples:**
        he **works** in a bank. *(Affirmative)*
        he **does not work** in a bank. *(Negative)*
        Does he work in a bank? *(Question)*
    - ⊕ **Signal words:** *always, usually, often, sometimes, every day.*
2. **Present Continuous:** Used for actions happening right now.(at the moment or temporary situations), future arrangements
    - ⊕ **Structure:**
        - **Affirmative: Subject + am/is/are + Verb (-ing) + Object**
        - **Negative: Subject + am/is/are + not + Verb (-ing) + Object**
        - **Question: Am/Is/Are + Subject + Verb (-ing) + Object?**
    - ⊕ **Examples:**
        She **is working** on a project. *(Affirmative)*
        She **is not working** on a project. *(Negative)*
        Is she working on a project? *(Question)*
    - ⊕ **Signal words:** *now, at the moment, currently.*
3. **Present Perfect:** Used for actions that started in the past but still have a connection to the present, Experiences, actions that happened **at an unspecified time** in the past.
    - ⊕ **Structure:**
        - **Affirmative: Subject + have/has + Past Participle (V3) + Object**
        - **Negative: Subject + have/has + not + Past Participle (V3) + Object**
        - **Question: Have/Has + Subject + Past Participle (V3) + Object?**
    - ⊕ **Examples:**
        She **has finished** her homework. *(Affirmative)*
        She **has not finished** her homework. *(Negative)*
        Has she finished her homework? *(Question)*
    - ⊕ **Signal words:** *ever, never, already, yet, just, since, for.*
4. **Present Perfect Continuous:** Used for actions that started in the past and are still continuing and emphasizing **duration** of an action.
    - ⊕ **Structure:**
        - **Affirmative: Subject + have/has + been + Verb (-ing) + Object**
        - **Negative: Subject + have/has + not + been + Verb (-ing) + Object**
        - **Question: Have/Has + Subject + been + Verb (-ing) + Object?**
    - ⊕ **Examples:**
        She **has been studying** for two hours. *(Affirmative)*
        She **has not been studying** for two hours. *(Negative)*
        Has she been studying for two hours? *(Question)*
    - ⊕ **Signal words:** *for, since, all day, all morning.*

Let's look at examples:

	Affirmative Examples	Negative Examples	Question Examples
Simple present tense	**They walk** to school daily.	**They do not walk** to school daily.	Do they **walk** to school daily?
Present continuous tense	**He is working** from home today.	**He is not working** from home today.	Is he **working** from home today?
Present perfect tense	We have lived here for five years.	We have not lived here long.	Have we lived here long?
Present perfect continuous tense	**They have been waiting** for an hour.	**They have not been waiting** for an hour	Have they **been waiting** for an hour?