

PRESENT SIMPLE VS CONTINUOUS – MEANING

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PRESENT SIMPLE

HABITS. REGULAR OR REPEATED ACTIONS

- ➔ I **wash** my hair every day.
- ➔ He usually **gets up** very early.

FACTS, PERMENENT SITUATIONS OR STATES

- ➔ I **have** one brother. He **lives** in Paris.
- ➔ Water **boils** at 100 degrees.

WITH ***STATIVE VERBS**

- ➔ Give me the money. I **need** it now.
- ➔ What happened? You **look** sad.

SIGNAL WORDS

always, never, often, sometimes, every day, once a month, twice a week, etc.

PRESENT CONTINUOUS

ACTIONS IN PROGRESS NOW

- ➔ I can't talk. I'm **brushing** my teeth.
- ➔ He can talk now. He's **having** a shower.

ACTIONS IN PROGRESS AROUND NOW

- ➔ I'm **reading** a new book. I love it!
- ➔ He **is training** hard these days.

SIGNAL WORDS

now, at the moment, these days, this week, this month, etc.

I DO IT REGULARLY

- ➔ I **drink** tea.
- ➔ I **do** yoga.

I'M DOING IT NOW

- ➔ I'm **drinking** tea.
- ➔ I'm **doing** yoga.

***Verbs of the senses:** hear, see, smell, look, seem, sound. **Opinion:** believe, consider, like, love, hate, prefer, think, etc. **Possession:** have, own, belong, etc. **Also:** be, need, mean, remember, want, etc.