

## The Simple Present Tense ( Part 3 )

- In the third person singular i.e. **he, she** and **it**, for **some** verbs ending in **'y'**, remove the **'y'** and add **'ies'**.

 **NOTE** : There is a consonant before the **'y'** in each of the verbs below.


Exercise 1.  Now complete the table below. An example has been done for you.

Verb to <b>fly</b>	Verb to <b>cry</b>	Verb to <b>dry</b>	Verb to <b>try</b>	Verb to <b>fry</b>
I fly	I	I	I	I
You fly	You	You	You	You
He <b>flies</b>	He	He	He	He
She <b>flies</b>	She	She	She	She
It <b>flies</b>	It	It	It	It
We fly	We	We	We	We
They fly	They	They	They	They

## Exercise 2.

 Write the following verbs in the **simple present tense**.

- Every morning **it** \_\_\_\_\_ from flower to flower. ( **to fly** )
- He** \_\_\_\_\_ his lessons **regularly**. ( **to study** )
- We** never \_\_\_\_\_ fish in the kitchen. ( **to fry** )
- As usual, you** \_\_\_\_\_ on me. ( **to rely** )
- She** \_\_\_\_\_ herself with a clean towel. ( **to dry** )
- Everyday Ben** and **Gina** \_\_\_\_\_ their kites. ( **to fly** )
- Judy** \_\_\_\_\_ her best to improve her handwriting.(**to try**)
- The thief** \_\_\_\_\_ his act of cruelty . ( **to deny** )
- The temperature** always \_\_\_\_\_. ( **to vary** )
- Flowers** \_\_\_\_\_ our environment. ( **to beautify** )

 **NOTE** : But when there is a vowel before the 'y', the verbs take 's' in the third person singular.

EXAMPLES: He says                      She destroys

 **REMEMBER** a , e , i , o and u are vowels

Exercise 3. Now complete the table below. An example has been done for you.

Verb to <b>play</b>	Verb to <b>enjoy</b>	Verb to <b>buy</b>	Verb to <b>stay</b>	Verb to <b>obey</b>
I play	I	I	I	I
You play	You	You	You	You
He <b>plays</b>	He	He	He	He
She <b>plays</b>	She	She	She	She
It <b>plays</b>	It	It	It	It
We play	We	We	We	We
They play	They	They	They	They

Exercise4.



Write the following verbs in the **simple present tense**.

- They** never \_\_\_\_\_ their elders. ( to obey )
- She** \_\_\_\_\_ fruits **everyday**. ( to buy )
- We** always \_\_\_\_\_ visit to our aunt. ( to pay )
- On Mondays, **he** \_\_\_\_\_ hide and seek during recess. ( to play )
- Every night, you** \_\_\_\_\_ before going to bed. ( to pray )
- Pupils** \_\_\_\_\_ themselves during physical education classes. ( to enjoy )
- Seema** \_\_\_\_\_ healthy because she eats fruits **regularly**. (to stay)
- My hen** \_\_\_\_\_ an egg **every morning** . ( to lay )
- This poem** \_\_\_\_\_ a message of peace. ( to convey )
- Cyclones** \_\_\_\_\_ the environment . ( to destroy )