# **PLANIT** English Grammar: Simple Present Tense & Modal Verbs

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## Section 3: Negative Sentence Formations

Learn how to create negative sentences in Simple Present Tense

## **Grammar Rule: Forming Negative Sentences**

Use "do not" (don't) or "does not" (doesn't) before the base verb to create negative sentences

- I do not play  $\rightarrow$  I don't play
- She does not sing  $\rightarrow$  She doesn't sing
- They do not study  $\rightarrow$  They don't study

## **Negative Sentence Transformation**

1. Convert Positive to Negative

Change these sentences to negative form:

a) She walks to school  $\rightarrow$  She does not walk to school

b) I play tennis  $\rightarrow$  I do not play tennis

c) They read books  $\rightarrow$  They do not read books

d) He speaks French  $\rightarrow$  He does not speak French

#### 2. Create Your Own Negative Sentences

Write 4 original negative sentences:

a)	
b)	
c)	
d)	

# Section 4: Question Formation in Simple Present Tense

Master the art of creating questions using do/does

## **Grammar Rule: Forming Questions**

Use "Do" or "Does" at the beginning of the sentence to create questions

- Do I play tennis? (first-person singular/plural)
- Does she sing well? (third-person singular)
- Do they study English? (third-person plural)

## **Question Formation Exercise**

1. Convert Statements to Questions

Turn these statements into questions:

a) She plays piano  $\rightarrow$  Does she play piano?

b) They study math  $\rightarrow$  Do they study math?

c) He works late  $\rightarrow$  Does he work late?

- d) I like chocolate  $\rightarrow$  Do I like chocolate?
- 2. Create Comprehensive Questions

Write full questions with possible answers:

a) Do you \_\_\_\_\_? Yes, I do.

b) Does she \_\_\_\_\_? No, she doesn't.

c) Do they \_\_\_\_\_? Yes, they do.

d) Does he \_\_\_\_\_? No, he doesn't.

# Section 5: Advanced Modal Verb Exploration

Expand understanding of modal verbs beyond ability

# **Modal Verb Applications**

Modal verbs express various meanings beyond ability:

- Can/Could: Ability, Permission
- May/Might: Possibility
- Must: Strong obligation
- Should: Recommendation

# Modal Verb Context Exercise

1. Modal Verb Meaning Identification

Identify the purpose of modal verbs:

- a) You must finish homework  $\rightarrow$  Obligation
- b) I might go to the party  $\rightarrow$  Possibility
- c) She should study more  $\rightarrow$  Recommendation
- d) May I use the restroom?  $\rightarrow$  Permission

#### 2. Contextual Modal Verb Usage

Complete sentences with appropriate modal verbs:

- a) Students \_\_\_\_\_ (must/might) wear uniforms.
- b) \_\_\_\_\_ (Can/Should) you help me with this?
- c) He \_\_\_\_\_ (may/must) be late today.
- d) We \_\_\_\_\_ (can/should) practice more.

## Section 6: Comprehensive Grammar Challenge

Integrate all learned grammar concepts

# **Final Assessment Objectives**

- Demonstrate mastery of Simple Present Tense
- Apply modal verbs correctly
- Create complex grammatical structures

#### **Integrated Grammar Challenge**

Complete the following comprehensive exercise:

- 1. Create 3 sentences using Simple Present Tense
- 2. Write 2 questions using do/does
- 3. Form 2 negative sentences
- 4. Use 3 different modal verbs in context

#### **Sample Solution Framework**

Example of integrated grammar usage:

- Simple Present: I walk to school every day.
- Question: Does she play tennis?
- Negative: They do not study on weekends.
- Modal Verb: You should practice English regularly.

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Well done on completing your grammar worksheet!

Remember: Practice makes perfect. Keep exploring and using these grammar rules in your daily communication.