

English – grammar Units 3 + 4

1. Present simple (généralités, habitudes)

	Règle	Exemple
Affirmation	Pronoun + verb	I play football.
Negation	Pronoun + do + not + verb	We don't eat meat.
Question	Do + pronoun + verb	Do you start school at 8.30 ?
Short answer	Yes / No + pronoun + do (+not)	Yes, She does. / No, I don't
Mind !	+s at third person (he, she, it) Only 1 conjugated verb (priority do)	He drinks coffee. Does she speak German?

2. Present continuous (en train de faire)

	Règle	Exemple
Affirmation	Pronoun + aux be + verb + ing	You are talking to Lisa.
Negation	Pronoun + aux be + not + verb + ing	They are not sleeping.
Question	Aux be + pronoun + verb + ing	Is he watching TV ?
Short answer	Yes / No + pronoun + aux be (+not)	Yes, he is / No, we aren't
Mind !		

3. States verbs (verbes d'état ≠ verbes d'action) like, love, hate

	Règle	Exemple
Affirmation	Pro. + state verb PS + verb + ing	I like cooking.
Negation	Pro. + don't + state verb PS + verb + ing	You don't love skiing.
Question	Do + pro. + state verb + verb + ing	Does he hate watching TV ?
Short answer	Y/N + pro. (+don't) + state verb PS + verb + ing	No, I don't like swimming.
Mind !	Only 1 conjugated verb (priority do)	No, he doesn't hate singing.

4. Can (être capable de)

	Règle	Exemple
Affirmation	Pronoun + can + verb infinitiv	I can play piano
Negation	Pronoun + can + not + verb infinitiv	You can't play piano
Question	Can + pronoun + verb infinitiv	Can we watch TV ?
Short answer	Yes / No + pronoun + can (+not)	Yes, I can / Nos he can't
Mind !	No +s with the 3rd person Don't use «do» ou «don't» for questions or negations	Yes, he can Do you can Can you ride ? She doesnt can She can't ride.

5. Et le reste...**a.) Let's** (suggestions)

Use let's with an infinitiv verb

Let's swim ! / Let's meet at 6 o'clock!

Use let's with go +verb + ing

Let's go swimming ! / Let's go shopping !

b.) Why / because (with present simple or present continuous)

Why is she playing guitar ? Because she wants to be famous and a producer is listenting.

Why does she play guitar ? Because she wants to be famous.

c.) How much / How many (combien ?)How **much** is used for **uncountable** things

How much butter do you want ?

How **many** is used for **countables** things

How many girls are in your class ?