

Easy Listening Practice #1

Present Simple

Audio 1

Hello! My name is Emma and I'm seventeen years old. People often say I look like my mother because we both have curly brown hair and green eyes.

I'm not very tall, but I'm quite sporty. I play volleyball twice a week.

I think my personality is more like my father's. I'm calm, patient and friendly.

I don't enjoy being the centre of attention.

In the future, I would like to work with people, maybe as a teacher or a psychologist.

1. Which parent does Emma look like?

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2. What sport does Emma play?

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3. What job would Emma like to have in the future?

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Audio 2

My cousin Daniel has unusual hobbies. Most teenagers spend their free time playing computer games or watching videos online, but Daniel prefers cooking and photography.

Every Saturday morning, he tries a new recipe from a different country.

He cooks food for our whole family. It is often spicy but delicious.

Daniel also enjoys taking photos of nature. He says photography helps him relax after school. One day, he wants to organise his own photo exhibition.

1. What hobbies does Daniel have?

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2. What does Daniel do every Saturday morning?

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3. Why does Daniel enjoy photography?

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Audio 3

My name is Emily and I live with my family in a small town. There are five people in my family: my parents, my younger brother, my grandmother and me. My father works in a bank and my mother is a nurse. My younger brother, Sam, is twelve years old and loves computer games.

I am very close to my grandmother because she often tells me interesting stories about her life. At weekends, we usually cook together or watch films. Sometimes we visit other family members and have dinner together. Family is very important to me because I always feel safe and happy with them.

1. How many people are there in Emily's family?

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2. What job does Emily's mother have?

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3. Why is Emily close to her grandmother?

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4. What do they often do at weekends?

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Audio 4

Mark is seventeen years old and he has many hobbies. His favourite hobby is photography. He likes taking pictures of nature, animals and people. Every Saturday morning, he goes to the park with his camera and spends a few hours there.

Mark is also interested in music. He plays the guitar and sometimes sings with his friends. During the week, he studies a lot because he wants to pass his exams with good results. Although he is often busy, he always finds time to relax and spend time with his family.

1. What is Mark's favourite hobby?

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2. Where does he go on Saturday mornings?

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3. What instrument does Mark play?

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4. Why does he study a lot?

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Audio 5

Hello! My name is Kate and I live in a big city called Manchester. My flat is on the fifth floor of a modern building. It is small but comfortable. There are two bedrooms, a kitchen, a bathroom and a living room. I really like my neighbourhood because there are many shops, cafés and cinemas nearby.

I usually go to school by bus because it is fast and convenient. At weekends, I often meet my friends in the city centre or go shopping with my mum. Sometimes the city is noisy and crowded, but I still enjoy living here because there is always something interesting to do.

1. On which floor does Kate live?

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2. How many bedrooms are there in the flat?

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3. How does Kate go to school?

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4. Why does she like living in the city?

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Audio 6

Tom lives in a small village in the countryside with his parents and his sister. Their house is large and has a beautiful garden full of flowers and trees. Behind the house there is a small lake where Tom likes fishing with his father.

Life in the countryside is peaceful and quiet. Tom rides his bike every day and spends a lot of time outdoors. However, there are some disadvantages. There is no cinema or shopping centre in the village, so the family often travels to the nearest town.

1. Where does Tom live?

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2. What is behind the house?

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3. What does Tom like doing with his father?

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4. What is missing in the village?

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Answers:

Audio 1

1. Her mother.
2. Volleyball.
3. A teacher or a psychologist.

Audio 2

1. Cooking and photography.
2. He cooks food for his family.
3. Because it helps him relax.

Audio 3

1. There are five people in her family.
2. She is a nurse.
3. Because her grandmother often tells her interesting stories about her life.
4. They usually cook together or watch films.

Audio 4

1. His favourite hobby is photography.
2. He goes to the park.
3. He plays the guitar.
4. Because he wants to pass his exams with good results.

Audio 5

1. She lives on the fifth floor.
2. There are two bedrooms in the flat.
3. She goes to school by bus.
4. Because there is always something interesting to do.

Audio 6

1. He lives in a small village in the countryside.
2. There is a small lake behind the house.
3. He likes fishing with his father.
4. There is no cinema or shopping centre in the village.