Present simple: exercise 5 - the third person

The third person -s, es, -ies

Test 1

Fill the gaps with verbs in the simple present tense and use words ending in -s, -es and -ies.

Why Samuel wakes up early

Every day little Samuel ............... (get) up early in the morning. He .................... (hurry) downstairs and into the backyard. Where is she? Yes, over there. His black and white kitten always ............... (play) in the grass. Little Samuel ................... (catch) her with both hands, ................... (grab) her under her soft belly, .................. (lift) her into the air and ................... (kiss) her on her pink nose. Then he .................. (carry) her into the kitchen to give her a small bowl of milk. But sometimes he just .................. (watch) his kitten running on the grass. What a fast cat she is! She never ............... (miss) a mosquito that .................. (fly) low above the ground.

Test 2

Use the following verbs in the present simple to complete the sentences.


My dear family

1. My brother Mike .................. biology at university. He .................. several exams every year and he always .................. all his exams. He .................. summer terms in June and .................. the next term at the end of September.

2. My sister Frances .................. guitar lessons and .................. every day.

3. My aunt Fiona .................. watching romantic stories and she sometimes ..................

4. My mum usually .................. shopping on Fridays. She .................. a lot of things in her trolley and then she .................. it in front of her.

5. My dad is crazy about cars. He always .................. the best car he can afford. He .................. it every weekend and .................. all the breakdowns. He is a careful driver. He never .................. .

6. My grandma .................. the best goulash in the world. My grandpa usually .................. her. He .................. beef meat and onions in oil and later .................. the ingredients. My grandma .................. the goulash in the freezer for a couple of days before she .................. it. It .................. much better!
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Key with answers

Test 1

gets up
hurries
plays
catches
grabs
lifts
kisses
carries
watches
misses
flie

Test 2

1. My brother Mike studies biology at university. He takes/does several exams every year and he always passes all his exams. He finishes summer terms in June and starts the next term at the end of September.

2. My sister Frances takes guitar lessons and practises every day.

3. My aunt Fiona loves watching romantic stories and she sometimes cries.

4. My mum usually goes shopping on Fridays. She puts a lot of things in her trolley and then she pushes it in front of her.

5. My dad is crazy about cars. He always chooses the best car he can afford. Then he washes it every weekend and fixes all the breakdowns on his own. He is a careful driver. He never crashes.

6. My grandma makes the best goulash in the world. My grandpa usually helps her - he fries beef meat and onions in oil and later mixes the ingredients. My grandma lets the goulash in a freezer for a couple of days before she serves it. It tastes much better!

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