

The Census Taker's Job *The Simple Present Tense*

PART 1 THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU



Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau counts every resident in the United States.



The federal government uses census information in many ways.

The federal government makes political decisions.

Lawmakers make economic decisions.

The government makes social decisions.

The census information affects how many seats your state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Lawmakers decide how much money to spend on job training centers and public works projects.

The government decides to build hospitals and schools.

Lawmakers provide emergency services.

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PART 2 THE CENSUS TAKER'S JOB



The U.S. Census Bureau **has** many temporary job positions for census takers.

Census takers **do** many things.

A census taker **conducts** interviews.

She **explains** the purpose of the census.

A census taker **records** the responses on paper.

Each day, census takers **turn in** their work to the crew leader.



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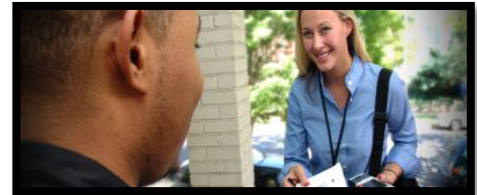
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PART 3

THE SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE

Use the *simple present tense* to talk about *general statements of fact*.

Cathy is a census taker.



Use the *simple present tense* to talk about things *that always happen*.

Every year the U.S. census counts every resident in the United States.



Use the *simple present tense* to talk about things that usually happen.

Each day, census takers turn in their completed work to the crew leader.



Use the *simple present tense* to talk about *habits*.

Richard drinks a large cup of coffee at work every morning.

He works at the U.S. Census Bureau office.



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The Simple Present Tense

This is the **form** of the simple present tense.

I count	he counts
you count	she counts
we count	It counts
they count	

This is the **form** of be.

I am	he is
you are	she is
we are	it is
they are	

PART4

PRACTICE

Unscramble the verbs. Then fill in the blank.

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census (*nscout*) counts every resident in the United States.

The federal government (*ksema*) _____ political decisions.

Richard (*rdinsk*) _____ a large cup of coffee at work every morning.

Cathy (*si*) _____ a census taker.

Census takers (*od*) _____ many things.

Each day, census takers (*rnut ni*) _____ their completed work to the crew leader.

He (*wkors*) _____ at the U.S. Census office.

A census taker (*resdorc*) _____ the responses on paper.

The U.S. Census Bureau (*sha*) _____ many temporary job positions for census takers.

A census taker (*nocduts*) _____ interviews.

She (*exnsplai*) _____ the purpose of the census.

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