



# Paco: Paco always does the lottery



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**Paco always does the lottery**



# The Present Simple Tense

## Used to talk about:

- \* everyday activities
- \* habits and routines
- \* permanent situations
- \* likes and dislikes
- \* scheduled events
- \* verbs expressing possession,  
senses,  
emotions, and mental  
activities.

# The Present Simple Tense

Positive:

**Subject + Verb + Indirect Object + Direct Object + How + Where + When**

Negative (except modal verbs and To be):

**Subject + DO/DOES + NOT + Verb (bare Infinitive) + Indirect Object + Direct Object + How + Where + When**



# Adverbs of frequency

Used to express how often an action occurs.

- ◆ always
- ◆ usually
- ◆ often
- ◆ sometimes
- ◆ never

Position:

Before the main verb

*Paco never drinks alcohol*

After the verb "to be"

*You are always goofing off*

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# Other ways to express frequency

## ◆ other adverbs

⇒ once, twice...

⇒ daily, weekly, monthly, yearly...

⇒ constantly, continuously...

## ◆ adverbial phrases

⇒ once, twice, three times a  
day/week...

⇒ every  
morning/afternoon/day/week...

⇒ on  
Mondays/weekdays/weekends...

⇒ from time to time again and  
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# Wordformation: Adverbs

## Form:

Adding suffix –ly to the adjective:

short → shortly

complete → completely

happy → happily

Not all words ending in –ly are adverbs: *costly*, *lovely*, or *friendly*, for example, are not adverbs but adjectives.

## Types of adverbs:

- \* Frequency: *always, usually, often...*
- \* Manner: *well, quickly, badly, happily...*
- \* Time: *today, tomorrow, in June, next month, last year...*
- \* Place: *here, there, everywhere, somewhere...*
- \* Degree or completeness: *almost, completely...*
- \* Certainty: *certainly, obviously, perhaps...*
- \* Comment and viewpoint: *clearly, presumably, surely...*