

SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE - FREQUENCY ADVERBS:

ALWAYS, USUALLY, OFTEN SOMETIMES, SELDOM, RARELY, NEVER

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| (a) always 100% | (b) usually 80% | (c) often 60% | (d) sometimes 40% | (e) seldom / rarely 20% | (f) never 0% |
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| <p>(a) Bob always comes to class. (b) I usually come to class on time. (c) We often watch TV at night. (d) I sometimes drink tea with dinner. <i>or</i> Sometimes I drink tea with dinner. <i>or</i> I drink tea with dinner sometimes. (e) I seldom go to movies. Anna rarely makes a mistake. (f) I never eat paper.</p> | <p>A. Always, usually, often, sometimes, seldom, rarely, and never are called frequency adverbs or adverbs of frequency. B. Frequency adverbs come between the <u>subject</u> and verb: always usually often SUBJECT + sometimes + VERB (PRONOUN) seldom rarely never C. With the Verb-<i>BE</i>, the frequency adverbs come after the Verb-<i>BE</i>: always usually often SUBJECT + VERB-<i>BE</i> + sometimes + VERB (PRONOUN) seldom rarely never</p> |
| <p>one time=once two times=twice three times four times</p> | <p>a day / a week / a month / a year</p> |

A. Change the percentage (%) into a frequency word in each sentence.

1. (0 percent) They never stay home.
2. (40 percent) _____ they bring their dog.
3. (80 percent) They _____ drive to the beach.
4. (90 percent) They _____ take the train.
5. (60 percent) They _____ bring friends with them.
6. (20% percent) They _____ go swimming.

B. Unscramble the words to make good sentences. Remember to write periods (.) at the end of sentences.

1. does / always / my mother / the grocery shopping.

My mother always does the grocery shopping.

2. cooks / usually / dinner / my father _____

3. I / tired / am / during the day / often _____

4. the dishes / sometimes / do / I _____

5. does / my brother / seldom / anything _____

C. Answer the question: *How often do you* ___?

1. How often do you sing in the shower?

2. How often do you exercise?

3. How often do you see the dentist?

4. How often do you cook American food? What do you cook?

5. How often do you read an English newspaper?

6. How often do you drink coffee?

7. How often do you wear red clothes? What's your favorite color for clothes?

8. How often do you drive a car?

9. How often do you buy ice cream? What kind do you like?

10. How often do you watch American movies?
