

2.1 A day in the life of a scientist

Grammar present simple and adverbs of frequency

- 1 Choose the correct form to complete the article.



Every week we ¹ *speak* / *speaks* to someone with an interesting job. This week it's 35-year-old Lisa Tucker, a herpetologist in Florida, USA. Herpetologists are scientists and they ² *study* / *studies* snakes. There ³ *is* / *are* fifty different types of snakes in Florida.

Lisa and her husband, Curtis, ⁴ *live* / *lives* in a house in the Florida Everglades. A typical day for them ⁵ *start* / *starts* at 7 a.m. when Lisa ⁶ *get up* / *gets up* and ⁷ *make* / *makes* breakfast for her ten snakes. Lisa ⁸ *write* / *writes* articles for newspapers and magazines. She also ⁹ *visit* / *visits* schools with her snakes to talk to the students.

'You ¹⁰ *meet* / *meets* lots of interesting people in this job. Some people ¹¹ *think* / *thinks* my job is very unusual, but I ¹² *love* / *loves* my life,' says Lisa. 'I ¹³ *go* / *goes* to interesting places and Curtis and I ¹⁴ *have* / *has* lots of friends.'

- 2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of one of the verbs in (brackets).

- Lisa *loves* her job as a herpetologist. (listen to / love)
- Jacob _____ to work every day. (play / drive)
- Yvonne _____ English in the evenings. (study / play)
- Miyuki _____ maths at the university. (get up / teach)
- My husband _____ in a lab. (have / work)
- Sven _____ after work. (relax / see)
- Sally sometimes _____ emails to her sister. (visit / write)

PRONUNCIATION third person -(e)s

- 3a 2.1))) Listen and repeat the sentences from exercise 2.

- b 2.1))) Listen again and pay attention to the pronunciation of *s* at the end of each verb. Write the verbs in the correct columns.

/s/	/z/	/ɪz/
	<i>loves</i>	

- c 2.2))) Listen, check and repeat.

- 4 Put the words in the right order to make sentences.

- early / always / morning / in / Dr Abacha / the / gets / up .
Dr Abacha always gets up early in the morning.
- hospital / drives / to / She / the / usually .

- works / She / weekend / the / sometimes / at .

- has meetings / often / doctors / other / with / She .

- 7 p.m. / before / finishes / hardly ever / work / She .

- never / goes / She / beach / the / to .

- in / evening / the / tired / She / always / is .

5 Rewrite the sentences. Replace the words in **bold** with an adverb of frequency from the box.

always hardly ever ~~never~~ never often sometimes usually

- You're **0% of the time** late for work.
You're never late for work.
- Manuel **75% of the time** cooks dinner for his family.

- Nurses **0% of the time** relax at work.

- It's **100% of the time** very hot in summer in Dubai.

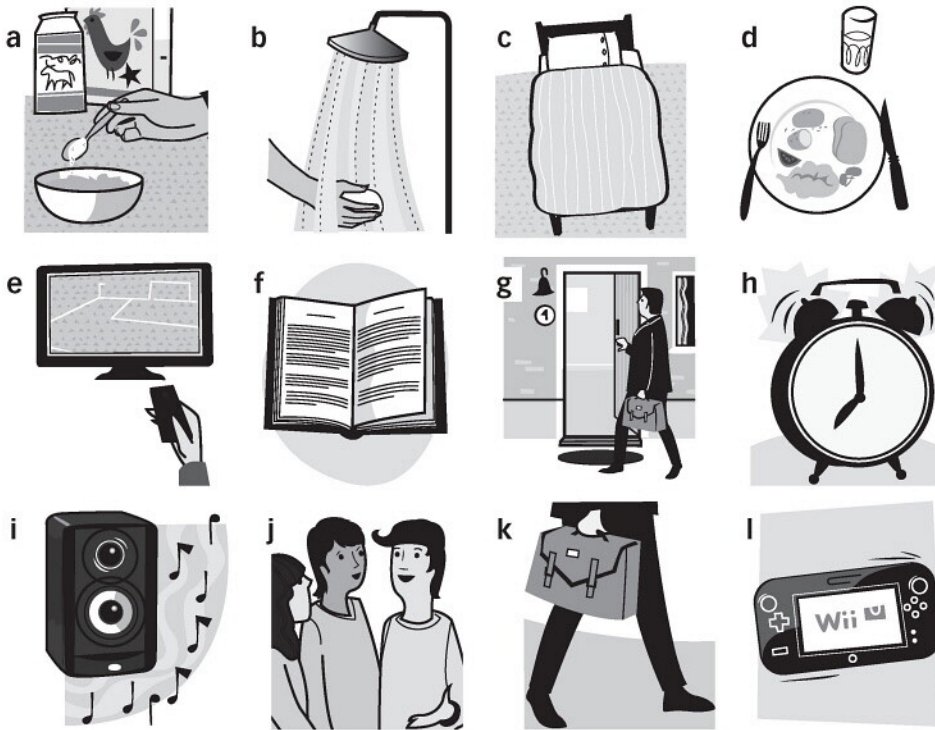
- I **80%/90% of the time** listen to music in the car.

- Ivan **10% of the time** writes emails to his friends.

- We **50% of the time** see seals on the beach near our house.

Vocabulary daily activities

6 Look at the illustrations. Complete the daily activities.



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| a <u>make</u> breakfast | g _____ home |
| b _____ a shower | h _____ up |
| c _____ to bed | i _____ music |
| d _____ lunch | j _____ friends |
| e _____ TV | k _____ to work |
| f _____ a book | l _____ video games |

7 Complete the text with daily activities from exercise 6. You may need to change the form.

MY TYPICAL DAY

I work in a hospital lab and my days are very busy - I ¹ get up at 5.45 every morning and I ² _____ in the bathroom. Then my wife ³ _____ for me and our two kids - I usually have fruit juice and yogurt, sometimes toast. After that, I ⁴ _____ in my car - I often ⁵ _____ on the car radio because it's relaxing.

I work from 7 a.m. till 3.30 p.m. At twelve o'clock, I stop and I ⁶ _____ - a sandwich and an apple, usually. At 3.45 p.m., I ⁷ _____. On Fridays, my wife and I like to go out and we often ⁸ _____ - it's nice to see people at the end of the week, but during the week we stay at home in the evening.

After dinner, I like to relax. I often ⁹ _____ with the children on my laptop computer and my wife ¹⁰ _____ or a magazine. We sometimes ¹¹ _____ if there is an interesting programme or film. I'm usually tired at 11 p.m., so that's when I ¹² _____.

STUDY TIP Make true sentences about your life to practise new vocabulary, e.g. *I always get up at half past seven. I never play computer games.* Write the new vocabulary and your sentences in your notebook.

I can ...

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talk about everyday actions.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>