

Contrast: Present Simple and Present Continuous Activities

- 1- Complete the e-mail. Use the present simple or the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

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Hi Mel,

What ¹ _____ (you / do) at the moment?

I ² _____ (sit) in Mario's café.

I ³ _____ (drink) a milkshake. This café

⁴ _____ (make) the best milkshakes in town!

I ⁵ _____ (often / come) here after school with my friend Sally. In fact, I ⁶ _____ (wait) for her now. She's always late. I ⁷ _____ (not understand) why! Anyway, can I borrow your geography textbook? I ⁸ _____ (need) it for that test next week. I can't find mine. Oh, Sally ⁹ _____ (come) into the café now.

Bye, see you later!

Dan



- 2- Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the present simple in one gap and the present continuous in the other.

- 1 Tom often _____ trainers to school, but today he _____ shoes. (wear)
- 2 We _____ a DVD at the moment, but we _____ TV most evenings. (watch)
- 3 I usually _____ a sandwich for lunch, but today I _____ some soup. (have)
- 4 My mum _____ in an office in Manchester, but this month she _____ in Glasgow. (work)
- 5 It hardly ever _____ here, but it _____ at the moment. (snow)
- 6 Jason and Tilly _____ their bedrooms right now, but they usually _____ them at the weekend. (tidy)

- 3- Complete the sentences with the verbs below. Use the affirmative or negative form of the present simple or present continuous.

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- 1 Which _____ you _____, history or geography?
- 2 'Where's George?' 'He _____ a shower.'
- 3 I _____ this pizza. It's horrible!
- 4 'We _____ the answer to this question.' 'Well, ask the teacher.'
- 5 'What's that terrible noise?' 'Kate _____ !'
- 6 'Why _____ Ben _____ ?' 'Because he _____ a funny film.'

- 4- There are mistakes in five of these sentences. Find the mistakes and write the five sentences correctly.

- 1 'Are you wanting an ice cream?' 'No, thanks.'
- 2 Right now I do my homework.
- 3 I'm reading a really good book about Cristiano Ronaldo.
- 4 Josh and Sam are hating maths.
- 5 I don't believe in ghosts.
- 6 I'm sometimes play the guitar in my bedroom.
- 7 It's sometimes raining a lot in Scotland.