

Use either the **Simple Present** or the **Present Progressive** of the verbs given in parentheses.

- 1- Many qualified nurses (*leave*) the profession these days because of the terrible working conditions.
- 2- This week we (*sell*) these scarves for five pounds, although we (*normally, charge*) six pounds fifty for each.
- 3- I (*never, hear*) the telephone ring when I (*be*) in the attic.
- 4- Jack is lucky. He (*listen*) to Brahms's music live at the Albert Hall at this very moment while we (*sit*) here in the office listening to the BBC orchestra on the radio.
- 5- The dinner is nearly ready. Mum (*taste*) the soup now. Normally we (*wait*) for Dad to arrive home, but we (*eat*) early today because we (*go*) to the theatre tonight.
- 6- Look! The waiter (*wear*) a stained shirt and they (*not, collect*) the dirty plates. No wonder few people (*come*) here any more.
- 7- Today, three Scottish villages (*mourn*) the death of seven local men at sea.
- 8- As a rule, I (*wash*) my car on Sunday at my mother's house, but today I (*take*) it to the car wash machine as I (*not, have*) time to wash it myself.
- 9- Every year many people (*move*) from the North of England to the prosperous South.
- 10- This powdered pudding is strawberry flavour, but actually, it (*not, taste*) fruity at all.
- 11- A: I (*always, see*) Brian eating junk food like sweets and nuts. he (*ever, not, eat*) anything healthy, such as fruit or vegetables?
B: No. In addition, he (*not, get*) any exercise either.
- 12- The globe (*get*) warmer and warmer, which (*raise*) the sea-level.
- 13- The blood pressure of a healthy person (*vary*) with exercise and emotional stress.
- 14- Lasers (*emit*) a narrow, intense beam of light in a single direction.
- 15- Every year, I (*fill*) a few little bags with lavender and (*put*) them in the drawers where I (*keep*) my linen because it (*smell*) so nice.
- 16- The grief we (*experience*) at this sad moment is indescribable.
- 17- What lovely quality this baby outfit is! It (*feel*) nice and thick.
- 18- Fresh strawberries (*always, taste*) good here. They (*remind*) me of home.
- 19- This week British Airways (*send*) thousands of people a voucher worth 20% off any flight to Europe.
- 20- A: What is that strange noise on the telephone line?
B: Sorry, Mum. I (*use*) the Internet.
- 21- Generally speaking, traffic (*cause*) pollution and the constant increase in traffic day by day (*cause*) more and more air pollution.
- 22- Paul (*think*) joining the European Union will lead to disaster, but I (*not, agree*) with him.
- 23- Leeds United (*usually, play*) in a white football strip, but today they (*play*) in green because their opponents' strip is white.
- 24- A: You (*look*) very worried. I (*hope*) nothing bad has happened!
B: Well, I've broken Grandma's favourite cup, and now I (*think*) about how to explain it to her.
- 25- My mother (*not, like*) anybody else in her kitchen while she (*cook*)
- 26- Don't worry about your dog. The veterinary surgeon (*feel*) his legs to check that nothing is broken.
- 27- The restaurant is full of workmen. They (*redecorate*) it.
- 28- A: Where is Sandra?
B: She (*smell*) every perfume in the shop, but in fact, she (*not, have*) enough money for any of them.
A: Oh, that's typical of her! Whenever we (*go*) to the shops, she (*try*) on countless clothes, and then, (*leave*) without buying anything.
- 29- It's not fair! While I (*work*) here in rainy England, Kate and Richard (*lie*) on the beach in sunny South-Africa.
- 30- The National Health Service (*not, provide*) the necessary level of care at the moment due to the flu epidemic.