

Fill in the blanks with the present simple, the present continuous, the past simple, the past continuous, the present perfect simple or the present perfect continuous for the verbs in brackets.

1. I lit the fire at 6 and it _____ (burn) brightly when Tom came in at 7.
2. Cuckoos _____ (not build) a nest. They _____ (use) the nests of other birds.
3. I _____ (only hear) from him twice since he went away.
4. You can't see Tom now; he _____ (have) a bath.
5. When I _____ (leave) school, I _____ (cut) my hair and I _____ (wear) it short ever since.
6. That boy _____ (eat) seven ice-creams.
7. We're at home now and we _____ (watch) TV.
8. When I arrived the lecture had already started and the professor _____ (write) on the screen
9. I often _____ (watch) films on Netflix.
10. I _____ (make) sausage rolls for the party all morning.
11. He's telling the truth. I _____ everything he's saying.
12. I once _____ (go) to a protest about climate change.
13. My brother _____ (write) several plays. He _____ (just finish) his second tragedy.
14. I didn't want to meet Paul so when he entered the room I _____ (leave).
15. I _____ (run) in the park when I saw my friend.
16. I _____ (meet) him last June.
17. He usually _____ (drink) but today he _____ (drink) tea.
18. He _____ (sleep) since ten o'clock. It's time he woke up.

19. The admiral _____ (play) bowls when he received news of the invasion. He _____ (insist) on finishing the game.

20. I _____ (grease) my car. That's why my hands are so dirty.