

Grammar Check Point

Part A. Match each sentence with **one use** of the **Present Simple**.

1. An ostrich **does not bury** its head in the sand when it **is** afraid. When it **hears** its enemies coming, it **runs** away.
2. I **like** animals.
3. My aunt usually **takes** the bus to work.
4. Azrin **leaves** for London tonight.
5. In Chapter 2, Julia **meets** Kyle and **agrees** to go to the school dance with him.
6. First, **check** the tyre. Then, **mark** the puncture.

a	To make a summary of the events in a narrative	
b	To show habitual actions done regularly	
c	To state a general truth or fact	
d	To describe feelings and senses	
e	To give instructions and directions	
f	To show an action that has been planned	

Part B. Match each sentence with **one use** of the **Present Continuous**.

1 The weather **is getting** warmer day by day.

2 Benjamin **is visiting** his in-laws on Sunday.

3 **I'm doing** the washing-up.

4 You're **making** the same mistake again!

5 Granny **is watching** over little Jamie while Mrs Ong is in hospital.

a	To refer to something that is changing	
b	To refer to a temporary situation	
c	To refer to an action that will happen in the future	
d	To refer to a temporary action, happening at the time of speaking	
e	To refer to a repeated temporary action	

Part C:

Fill in the blanks with the **Present Simple** or the **Present Continuous** form of the verbs given in brackets.

1 My brother _____ (take) his bath. He _____ (sing) his favourite song 'Shower' in the bathroom.

2 My mother _____ (like) gardening. She always _____ (take) good care of her plants. She sometimes _____ (exchange) her plants with our neighbours. Now, she _____ (plant) some vegetables.

3 'Who _____ (make) so much noise? I _____ (try) to get some rest,' Grandpa grumbled.

4 My grandma usually _____ (feed) the hens, but I _____ (do) it today as she is sick.

5 Every evening, I _____ (wash) the dishes after dinner and my sister _____ (wipe) them dry. Later, we _____ (sweep) and _____ (mop) the floor together. We _____ (enjoy) doing our chores. We _____ (not quarrel) over our duties.

6 'I can't talk now. I _____ (cook) the dinner,' Aunt Jodie says.

7 I still _____ (have) pain in my right foot, but it _____ (get) better.

8 I _____ (look) after Patrick's dog this weekend. _____ (you want) to take it for a walk?

9 Every holiday, my brother and I _____ (take) a train to Butterworth to visit my grandparents. I _____ (like) taking the train because I _____ (get) to enjoy the scenery of plantations and villages.

10 'This almond cheesecake is for you. I _____ (know) you like cheesecakes very much. I also _____ (remember) that today is your birthday. Many happy returns of the day!' Alfred said.

Part D: Quantifier

Write a suitable quantifier for each sentence.

1 Could you give me _____ advice on saving?

2 My sister spilt _____ milk on my school uniform.

3 Grandpa : Is there _____ more tea?

Edward : Yes, Grandpa. There is _____ left in the pot.

4 It's amazing how _____ mothers have so _____ patience looking after their children.

5 There is so _____ information about environmental issues on the internet.

6 Although my father has _____ work to do and is always away on business, he speaks to us every day.

7 How _____ longer do I have to wait to see the dentist?

8 My cousin succeeded in building _____ robot after putting in _____ hardwork and tears.

9 The coach was very angry because only _____ boys attended the football training yesterday.

10 We can learn _____ from our grandparents. Unfortunately, very _____ young people are willing to spare _____ time to chat with them.