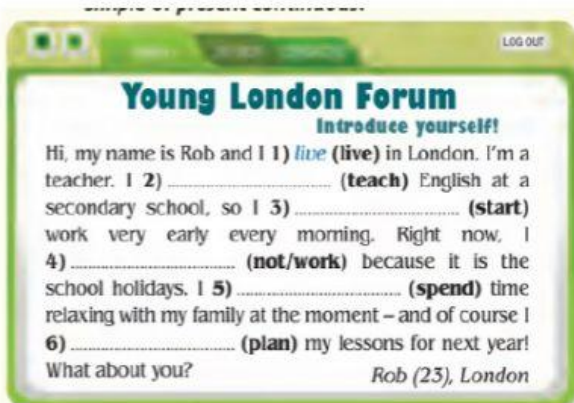


SMARTIME 2. GRAMMAR CHECK

1. Put the following verbs in the present simple or present continuous



Young London Forum
Introduce yourself!

Hi, my name is Rob and I 1) *live* (live) in London. I'm a teacher. I 2) (teach) English at a secondary school, so I 3) (start) work very early every morning. Right now, I 4) (not/work) because it is the school holidays. I 5) (spend) time relaxing with my family at the moment – and of course I 6) (plan) my lessons for next year! What about you?

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2. Order the following sentences

- 1 late/Ellen/is/never/for work
Ellen is never late for work.
- 2 often/in the evenings/he/the Net/surfs
- 3 does/Tom/always/before dinner/his homework
- 4 play/we/after school/sometimes/tennis
- 5 hardly ever/go/they/to the theatre

3. Put the verbs in brackets in the past simple

Last year, I 1) *visited* (visit) the Viking Centre in York. The Centre shows what life 2) (be) like in York 1,000 years ago when the Viking people 3) (live) there. I 4) (see) Viking houses and shops and I 5) (learn) lots of things. For example, 6) (you/know) that the Vikings travelled as far as Greenland, Russia and North Africa? And that although the Vikings 7) (not/have) modern technology, they still 8) (make) coins, weapons and beautiful jewellery? It was an interesting day out!

4. Order the following adjectives

- 1 a(n) antique/wooden/beautiful desk
a beautiful, antique, wooden desk
- 2 a(n) French/expensive/gold necklace
- 3 a blue/cotton/nice T-shirt
- 4 a plastic/red/cheap cup
- 5 a(n) comfortable/Italian/old chair
- 6 a black/fashionable/silk dress

5. Choose the correct form

- 1 What were you doing/did you do when the storm started?
- 2 It didn't rain/wasn't raining when I left the house.
- 3 John was watching/watched the weather forecast while Sam cooked/was cooking dinner.
- 4 Amy was having/had lunch and then went shopping.
- 5 Were you hearing/Did you hear the thunder last night?

6. Complete with the correct adverb that you form with the following adjectives

Happy-heavy-slow-lucky

1. It rained *heavily* last night.
2. A tree fell on the house but.....no one was hurt
3. Drive.....because there's snow on the road.
4. She smiled.....when she saw us.

7. Choose the correct form

- 1 You might/ought to eat more fruit.
- 2 No, you may/can't play football. You've got too much homework.
- 3 Could/Might you explain the rules to me again?
- 4 She ought/should take up a sport.
- 5 Can/Might I get you something to eat?
- 6 You may/should watch the match if you finish your chores first.
- 7 I might/ought to bake a cake. I'm not sure yet.
- 8 You may/shouldn't go running if you feel unwell.

8. Choose the correct form

- 1 They often go to run/running after school.
- 2 You shouldn't eat/to eat right before your basketball game.
- 3 She loves baking/bake cakes.
- 4 Stephanie hopes winning/to win the cookery contest.
- 5 I want speaking/to speak with the manager.
- 6 You must cut/to cut down on sweets.
- 7 Adam doesn't enjoy to cook/cooking.

9. Choose the correct form

- 1 I stopped junk food last year.
A eat B to eat **C eating**
- 2 Mum wants out tomorrow.
A eat B to eat C eating
- 3 They expect the meal.
A to enjoy B enjoy C enjoying
- 4 Her favourite hobby is
A bake B to bake C baking
- 5 Emily hates to the supermarket.
A to go B going C go

10. Choose the correct form

- 1 Have you ever to Scotland at New Year?
A gone **B been** C went
- 2 We the Mushroom Festival when we were in Italy.
A have visited B visit C visited
- 3 Andy his room.
A has already decorated
B have already decorated
C already decorate
- 4 We the Cinco de Mayo celebrations when we were in Mexico.
A have seen B see C saw
- 5 I've taken part in every parade 2004.
A already B for C since
- 6 The fireworks we last night were great!
A have watched B watched C watch
- 7 Anthony his costume yesterday.
A bought B had bought C to buy
- 8 I booked my ticket for the festival a week ...
A before B ago C already

11. Complete with correct form of the comparative or superlative

- 1 Kevin thinks the museum is *the most interesting* (interesting) place in town.
- 2 The art gallery is
(quiet) than the theatre.
- 3 This jumper is
(expensive) than those trousers.
- 4 Anne has
(nice) clothes in the school.
- 5 Tony is as
(old) Paul.
- 6 These are
(beautiful) earrings in the shop.