

## SMARTIME 2. GRAMMAR CHECK

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

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?  
Rob (23), London

### 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.