

## SIMPLE PRESENT VS. PRESENT PROGRESSIVE

**TASK A.** Place the expressions or signal words in the correct column. Follow the example:

<i>always</i>	<i>every...</i>	<i>in this moment</i>	<i>sometimes</i>	<i>today</i>	<i>seldom</i>
<i>now</i>	<i>never</i>	<i>right now</i>	<i>listen!</i>	<i>often</i>	<i>at the moment</i>
<i>usually</i>	<i>frequently</i>	<i>look!</i>	<i>normally</i>	<i>rarely</i>	<i>this morning</i>

Simple present		Present progressive	
always			

**TASK B.** Fill in the gaps with an appropriate "Signal Word". You can repeat the signal words. Follow the example:

LOOK!	USUALLY	TODAY	OFTEN	NEVER
SOMETIMES	LISTEN!	RIGHT NOW	ALWAYS	EVERY DAY

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Alice practices guitar <u>everyday</u>.</li> <li>2. Mary is not working _____.</li> <li>3. Henry is _____ late.</li> <li>4. _____, the cat is eating its food.</li> <li>5. You _____ drink coffee in the morning.</li> <li>6. Amanda _____ reads books.</li> <li>7. He is going to school _____.</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. I _____ listen to music.</li> <li>9. _____, they are singing.</li> <li>10. My friends are playing _____.</li> <li>11. She is cooking rice _____.</li> <li>12. Peter works in a bank _____.</li> <li>13. The baby _____ drinks milk.</li> <li>14. Anne is opening the windows _____.</li> </ol> |
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**TASK C.** Place the signal word in brackets in the correct gaps:

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| 1. _____ We _____ play _____ games _____ after _____ classes.                            | (ALWAYS)        |
| 2. _____ I _____ am _____ talking _____ to _____ you _____.                              | (LISTEN!)       |
| 3. _____ She _____ is _____ watching _____ TV _____.                                     | (RIGHT NOW)     |
| 4. _____ We _____ are _____ going _____ to _____ the _____ cinema _____.                 | (TODAY)         |
| 5. _____ He _____ does _____ his _____ homework _____.                                   | (FIRST)         |
| 6. _____ She _____ studies English _____ two _____ hours _____.                          | (EVERY DAY)     |
| 7. _____ Charles _____ is _____ standing _____ at _____ the _____ corner _____.          | (LOOK!)         |
| 8. _____ My friend _____ is _____ playing _____ soccer _____.                            | (AT THE MOMENT) |
| 9. _____ It _____ is _____ beautiful _____ to _____ see _____ a _____ child _____ smile. | (ALWAYS)        |
| 10. Where _____ are _____ you _____ going _____ ?  | (NOW)           |

**TASK D.** Using the words, write sentences in **simple present** and **present progressive**. Don't forget to use a **signal word**!:

1. I / go / cinema / with my brother.

S. Present: I always go to the cinema with my brother.

Pr. Progressive: I am going to the cinema with my brother now.

2. She / sleep / in the house.

S. Present: \_\_\_\_\_.

Pr. Progressive: \_\_\_\_\_.

3. He / listen to / rap music.

S. Present: \_\_\_\_\_.

Pr. Progressive: \_\_\_\_\_.

4. The dog / eat / food / in the garden .

S. Present: \_\_\_\_\_.

Pr. Progressive: \_\_\_\_\_.

5. We / cook / rice / kitchen.

S. Present: \_\_\_\_\_.

Pr. Progressive: \_\_\_\_\_.

6. Philip / study / English.

S. Present: \_\_\_\_\_.

Pr. Progressive: \_\_\_\_\_.

7. My mother / work / in a hospital.

S. Present: \_\_\_\_\_.

Pr. Progressive: \_\_\_\_\_.

8. The president / travel / to London.

S. Present: \_\_\_\_\_.

Pr. Progressive: \_\_\_\_\_.

**TASK E.** Write the correct tense in the brackets. Use **present simple** or **present progressive**:

Harold Black's a famous pianist. He \_\_\_\_\_ (9: give) two or three concerts every week. He \_\_\_\_\_ (10: travel) a lot and this week he's in New York. He \_\_\_\_\_ (11: stay) at an expensive hotel. He's at his hotel now. He \_\_\_\_\_ (12: have) his breakfast in the dining-room. He \_\_\_\_\_ (13: drink) a cup of coffee and he \_\_\_\_\_ (14: read) a newspaper. Harold's always very busy. He \_\_\_\_\_ (15: play) the piano regularly. He \_\_\_\_\_ (16: practise) for four hours every day. He \_\_\_\_\_ (17: go) to bed late and he always \_\_\_\_\_ (18: get up) early. But he sometimes \_\_\_\_\_ (19: get) dressed too quickly, and this morning he \_\_\_\_\_ (20: wear) one blue sock and one red one!

**TASK F.** Describe the picture using the **simple present** or **present progressive** with the words in brackets:



1 \_\_\_\_\_



2 \_\_\_\_\_



3 \_\_\_\_\_



4 \_\_\_\_\_

**TASK G.** Write the verb in brackets in the correct tense **simple present** or **present progressive**. Check the signal word:

1. She usually (cook) \_\_\_\_\_ on Fridays.

2. My parents (work) \_\_\_\_\_ in this moment.

3. Listen! My brother (play) \_\_\_\_\_ the piano.

4. I never (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to school by bus.

5. Mary always (speak) \_\_\_\_\_ in English.

6. They (eat) \_\_\_\_\_ right now.

7. We (listen to) \_\_\_\_\_ music every day.

8. Charles (sleep) \_\_\_\_\_ in the afternoons.

9. Look! The baby (walk) \_\_\_\_\_.

10. The girls (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a new place to play.