

1 GRAMMAR

Present simple and continuous



a Match 1–8 with a–h to make sentences and questions.

- 1 ☒ a They play
- 2 ☐ b He's thinking
- 3 ☐ c She's going
- 4 ☐ d I'm having
- 5 ☐ e He thinks
- 6 ☐ f We go
- 7 ☐ g I have
- 8 ☐ h They're playing

- a a yoga class on Monday evenings.
- b to school on Saturday mornings in my country.
- c tennis in the park. Why don't you go and join them?
- d about all the things he needs to do before his holiday.
- e my dinner now so can I call you back in ten minutes?
- f that his children will live until they are 100 years old.
- g chess with their grandad every Sunday after lunch.
- h to work by bike at the moment because she wants to get fit.

b Complete the conversation with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets. Use contractions where possible.

ARTHUR ¹ Is Emma doing (Emma, do) well at school these days?

PAT Yes, she is.

ARTHUR ² _____ (she, study) languages, like her brother?

PAT Yes, she ³ _____ (learn) French and Spanish.

ARTHUR Really? ⁴ _____ (she, want) to become an interpreter?

PAT She ⁵ _____ (not, know) yet. She ⁶ _____ (be) only 14, after all.

ARTHUR Yes, that's true. And what about sport? ⁷ _____ (she, play) a lot of sport at school?

PAT Yes, she ⁸ _____ (love) all sports. She ⁹ _____ (be) particularly good at basketball. In fact, she ¹⁰ _____ (play) for the school team in a match today.

ARTHUR Really? Great!

PAT Hold on ... er, my phone ¹¹ _____ (ring) ...

ARTHUR Who is it?

PAT It's my husband. Sorry, I must go – he ¹² _____ (wait) for me in the car.

ARTHUR OK, bye!