

Present simple and continuous

Match the rules to the examples by choosing the correct option. Write the corresponding number in the box next to the chosen rule.

We use the present simple to talk about:

- a. FACTS.
- b. SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS REGULARLY.

We use the present continuous for:

- c. SOMETHING THAT IS HAPPENING RIGHT NOW OR AROUND NOW.
 - d. TEMPORARY SITUATIONS.
 - e. FUTURE PLANS.
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- 1. Right now, I'm cooking dinner for my family.
 - 2. In a couple of weeks, I'm going on a trip to Paris with my grandparents.
 - 3. The people who know me well say that I'm a shy person.
 - 4. This weekend, I'm staying at my aunt Mary's house.
 - 5. I live in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Complete the following sentences with the **present simple** of the verbs in brackets:

- 1. My sister _____ (play) tennis every Saturday.
- 2. My dad _____ (watch) the news every night.
- 3. I _____ (love) to read books in my free time.
- 4. He _____ (brush) his teeth twice a day.
- 5. She _____ (do) yoga every morning.
- 6. They _____ (eat) breakfast at 7:00 am every day.
- 7. Maria _____ (study) English on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- 8. My little brother _____ (play) video games all the time.
- 9. We _____ (go) to the gym every other day.
- 10. Tom and Jerry _____ (fight) every day.

Complete the following sentences with the **present continuous** of the verbs in brackets:

- 1. I _____ (study) for my exams this term.
- 2. She _____ (work) on her project right now.
- 3. They _____ (play) football later today.
- 4. He _____ (watch) a movie tonight.
- 5. We _____ (go) on a trip tomorrow.
- 6. Jane _____ (practice) the piano this week.
- 7. My parents _____ (travel) to Europe next month.

8. Tom _____ (read) a book this afternoon.
9. The teacher _____ (explain) the lesson at the moment.
10. Sarah _____ (prepare) dinner for us this evening.

Complete the following sentences with the **present simple** or **continuous form** of the verbs in brackets:

1. My sister _____ (play) tennis every Saturday, but today she _____ (play) basketball.
2. My dad _____ (watch) the news every night, but right now he _____ (watch) a football match.
3. I _____ (love) to read books in my free time, but this week I _____ (not have) much time to read.
4. He _____ (brush) his teeth twice a day, but right now he _____ (not brush) his teeth.
5. She _____ (do) yoga every morning, but this morning she _____ (not do) yoga because she _____ (feel) sick.
6. They _____ (eat) breakfast at 7:00 am every day, but today they _____ (eat) pancakes for breakfast.
7. Maria _____ (study) English on Mondays and Wednesdays, but this month she _____ (not have) any classes because of the holidays.
8. My little brother _____ (play) video games all the time, but right now he _____ (do) his homework.
9. We _____ (go) to the gym every other day, but this week we _____ (go) to the park instead.
10. Tom and Jerry _____ (fight) every day, but today they _____ (not fight) because Tom _____ (sleep).

Complete the following mini-dialogues using the correct adjective from the list. **Each adjective should be used only once.**

Adjectives to use: kind, unkind, polite, impolite, correct, incorrect, fair, unfair, patient, impatient, expensive, inexpensive, lucky, unlucky, visible, invisible.

1.

A: The new art exhibit was amazing, but some of the pieces were so _____.

B: Yes, I know what you mean. I wish they were more _____.

2.

A: Did you hear about the new student in our class?

B: No, what about them?

A: They are always so _____ and never interrupt anyone when they speak.

B: That's great. I hope they don't have to deal with any _____ students in our class.

3.

A: Why did you give me a bad grade on my essay?

B: I'm sorry, but the information you provided was _____. You need to make sure you have all the facts before submitting your work.

A: That's _____. I'll make sure to double-check everything next time.

4.

A: I can't believe the teacher didn't give us more time to finish the exam.

B: I know. It was so _____ of them. Not everyone can work well under pressure.

A: It was definitely _____. I hope they take that into consideration when grading our papers.

5.

A: Why are you always so _____ with me? I'm trying my best.

B: I'm sorry, it's just that you are always so _____. You need to learn to be more _____ and not give up so easily.