

### Present Continuous or Simple Present?

Complete the following sentences with words in parentheses. Use the simple present or present progressive/present continuous.

1. Right now Yoko (read) \_\_\_\_\_ an article in the newspaper, but she (understand, not) \_\_\_\_\_ it. Some of the vocabulary (be) \_\_\_\_\_ too difficult for her.
2. Right now I (look) \_\_\_\_\_ at the board. I (see) \_\_\_\_\_ some words on the board.
3. I (need) \_\_\_\_\_ to call my parents today and tell them about my new apartment. They can't call me because they (know, not) \_\_\_\_\_ my new telephone number.
4. This tea is good. I (like) \_\_\_\_\_ it. What kind is it? I (prefer) \_\_\_\_\_ tea instead of coffee. How about you?
5. Sam is at the library. He (sit) \_\_\_\_\_ at a table. He (write) \_\_\_\_\_ a composition. He (use) \_\_\_\_\_ a dictionary to look up the spelling of some words. The dictionary (not, belong) \_\_\_\_\_ to him. It (belong) \_\_\_\_\_ to his roommate. Sam (look) \_\_\_\_\_ up words in the dictionary because he (want) \_\_\_\_\_ to make sure that he doesn't misspell any words.
6. Right now the children (be) \_\_\_\_\_ at the beach. They (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a good time. They (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a beach ball, and they (play) \_\_\_\_\_ catch with it. They (like) \_\_\_\_\_ to play catch. Their parents (sunbathe) \_\_\_\_\_. They (try) \_\_\_\_\_ to get a tan. They (listen) \_\_\_\_\_ to some music on the radio. They also (hear) \_\_\_\_\_ the sounds of seagulls and waves.
7. Right now I (think) \_\_\_\_\_ about seagulls and waves. I (think) \_\_\_\_\_ that seagulls are beautiful birds.
8. I (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a red, convertible sports car. I bought it last year, and I love driving it! I always (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a fun time when I drive it.
9. What (you, look) \_\_\_\_\_ at? Is that a Chinese dictionary? That (look) \_\_\_\_\_ like a difficult language to learn.