# Present Simple



We use Present Simple to express:

- repeated actions or daily routines
- permanent states
- general truths or laws of nature

# Present Continuous



We use Present Continuous to express:

- actions happening at the time of speaking
- actions happening around now but not at the moment of speaking
- fixed arrangements in the near future

**1** Fill in the blanks with the Present Simple form of the verbs below.

1. Julia _____ her dog, Bones, for a walk three times a day. She _____ a very responsible person.
2. My brother _____ (never) his pocket money on trifles. He _____ to save it for travelling.
3. The teachers _____ (not) uniforms. Sometimes they _____ on a white coat to protect their clothes.
4. I _____ very good essays, but I _____ (not) good at maths.
5. Who _____ (you/usually) to your birthday party?
6. We _____ karate, _____ volleyball and _____ lots of sports.
7. Where _____ (Paul) jogging?
8. Trudy _____ (not) for any magazine, she is a freelancer.
9. My grandparents _____ in very often.
10. People _____ (often) sportsmen for their enthusiasm, devotion and fortitude.

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sit read wear wash see prepare get have work go wait check build

**2** Fill in the blanks with the Present Continuous form of the verbs above.

1. Alan _____ at his desk and _____ his email.
2. Helen, _____ (not/you) a magazine?
3. My baby sister and I _____ a great time together at the beach. We _____ a sandcastle.
4. I _____ for a letter from my grandmother.
5. Mum and dad are in the kitchen. They _____ a sumptuous dinner to celebrate their wedding anniversary.
6. Why _____ (Diana) shorts and sneakers? _____ (not/she) to work today?
7. The nurse _____ her hands in the washbasin.
8. We _____ (not) Pam this week. She has just cancelled the meeting.
9. Ron _____ on a very important project these days. I'm sure he'll be successful.
10. Anna and James _____ married this weekend. They are really excited.