

1A GRAMMAR simple present and present continuous, action and nonaction verbs



a Circle the correct form of the verbs.

Pavel What ¹**do you study / are you studying?**

Elvira Humanities.

Pavel ²**I do / I'm doing** Fine Arts. Where ³**do you come / are you coming** from?

Elvira I'm from Salamanca, in Spain.

Pavel And how many hours of classes ⁴**do you have / are you having** a week?

Elvira ⁵**It depends / It's depending** on the week, but usually about 20 hours. ⁶**Do you know / Are you knowing** about the party tonight?

Pavel ⁷**Do you mean / Are you meaning** the one for new students? I can't go, because ⁸**I get ready / I'm getting ready** to move into my apartment tomorrow.

Elvira Where ⁹**do you live / are you living** right now?

Pavel ¹⁰**I stay / I'm staying** in a student hostel.

Elvira What ¹¹**do you do / are you doing** on Sunday afternoon? If you ¹²**want / are wanting**, we could meet and look around the city.

Pavel I'm busy in the afternoon, but what about Sunday morning?

Elvira Fine. Where should we meet?

b Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verbs: simple present or present continuous.

Maggie Hello John, what a surprise! What ¹are you doing (do) here?

John The same as you probably! I ² _____ (buy) a few things for dinner.

Maggie How are things? Are you still working at the same place?

John Yes, but I ³ _____ (not like) it very much. My boss ⁴ _____ (depend) on me for everything. The worst thing is that she always ⁵ _____ (get) the credit and I ⁶ _____ (do) all the work!

Maggie That ⁷ _____ (sound) terrible.

⁸ _____ you ⁹ _____ (have) to go back to work this afternoon?

John No, I only work until lunchtime on Fridays because I always ⁹ _____ (have) lunch with my friend Paula. She ¹⁰ _____ (not work) on Fridays, so we usually ¹¹ _____ (meet) at that nice little Italian restaurant in town.

¹² _____ you ¹³ _____ (want) to come?

Maggie I'd love to, but I ¹³ _____ (need) to get home. My sister ¹⁴ _____ (stay) with us for a few days. Some other time!

ACTIVATION

Practice the conversations with a partner.