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Present Forms

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Put the verbs in brackets into the correct present forms.

Dear Janet,

How are you? I 1) ...*'m writing*... (write) to you from Hawaii. The hotel we 2) (stay) in is amazing!

It's very hot here and we 3) (have) a great time. Today, we 4) (be) all at the beach. Right now, my sisters, Carla and Daniela, 5) (build) a sandcastle. Mum and Dad 6) (play) beach volley for over an hour and Giovanni, my brother, 7) (just/go) diving with his friends. They 8) (go) diving every day. So far, I 9) (try) windsurfing. It's really thrilling!

We 10) (not/do) much sightseeing yet but tomorrow we 11) (go) on a trip round the island. We're all looking forward to it.

See you soon.

Luisa



Speaking Activity

(describing a picture)

Look at the picture and, in pairs, discuss it.

- Where are the people in the picture?
They are at the beach.
- What / they / wear?
- What / they / do?
- What / weather / be like?
- How / they / feel?
- you / ever / be ...?
- Where / you like / go on holiday?



Writing Activity

Imagine you are on holiday. Write an email to your English pen friend.
In your email write:

- where you are • who you are with • where you are staying
- what the weather is like • what you have / haven't done

Use Ex. 17 as a model.

Dear

How are you? I from We're staying at

The weather here is Right now, Mum and Dad I It's so exciting!

We yet but we Tomorrow, we We're looking forward to it.

See you soon.

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Phrasal Verbs

break down:

- stop working (of cars, engines, machines, etc.)
- lose control of feelings (of people)

break into (+ object):

- enter by force
- start doing sth suddenly (laughter, etc.)

break out:

- begin suddenly (war, fire, etc.)
- escape from a place

break up: stop for holidays (of schools, etc.)

1 Fill in the correct particle.

- 1 Our school usually breaks *up* for the summer in July.
- 2 My car broke on the motorway and I had to walk to a garage.
- 3 When they saw the clown, the children broke laughter.
- 4 The man managed to break of prison early this morning.
- 5 The fire broke in the kitchen and quickly spread to the rest of the building.
- 6 After hearing the bad news, the girls broke and cried.

2 Look at Appendix 1 on page 206 and fill in the correct preposition.

- 1 She blamed him *for* the accident.
- 2 They arrived London at 7:30 pm.
- 3 I must apologise Mary the delay.
- 4 Sally was ashamed Mark's behaviour at the party.
- 5 He doesn't believe ghosts.
- 6 She is brilliant gymnastics.
- 7 He isn't aware the problem.
- 8 I am afraid snakes and spiders.
- 9 I am very annoyed John being so careless.
- 10 They were astonished the way Fred spoke to the manager.

Word Formation Nouns referring to people

- **verb + er / or / at** teach – teacher, act – actor, lie – liar, employ – employer
- **noun + ant / ent** contest – contestant, study – student
- **noun + an / ian** republic – republican, library – librarian
- **noun / verb / adjective + ist** art – artist, tour – tourist, national – nationalist
- **verb + ee** (passive meaning) employ – employee

3 Complete each of the sentences with a word formed from the word in bold.

- 1 The shop has a new ... *employee* ... (**employ**) on the second floor.
- 2 Did you know that George has started work as a (**library**) at the university?
- 3 The professor doesn't want more than six (**study**) in each study group.
- 4 I'm going to be a (**contest**) in a TV quiz show next week!
- 5 I think that Leonardo DiCaprio is a fantastic (**act**).
- 6 She wants to be a professional (**art**) when she finishes university.
- 7 Abraham Lincoln was the first (**republic**) president of the USA.
- 8 Our (**teach**), Mrs Wilson, has been ill for two weeks.
- 9 I've just found a camera. I think it belongs to the (**tour**) over there.
- 10 The (**burgle**) got into the house through the kitchen window.

In Other Words ...

I've never eaten pizza before.
It's the first time I've ever eaten pizza.

I've never read such a good book.
It's the best book I've ever read.

4 Rephrase the following sentences using the words in bold.

- She has never been on TV before.
first ... *It's the first time she has ever been on TV.*
- She has never heard such a funny story.
funniest
- It's the first time she has ever read Tolstoy.
never
- It's the worst headache she's ever had.
bad
- He's never played cricket before.
ever

5 Here are some sentences about Lisa's neighbour, Stella. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Stella is the kindest person I know.
I <i>have never met</i> ... such a kind person as Stella. Stella owns two pet dogs.
Stella two pet dogs. There's a party at Stella's house next Friday.
Stella a party at her house next Friday. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Stella hasn't finished sending the invitations yet.
Stella is the invitations. Stella has an appointment with the DJ at 10 am.
Stella is the DJ at 10 am. Stella is wearing a nice perfume today.
Stella's perfume nice. |
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Idioms

be on good terms (with sb): be friendly (with sb)

be in a good mood: feel happy

be broke: have no money at all

do one's best: try as hard as possible

do sb a favour: do sth to help sb

do (sth) for a living: have a job and earn money

6 Fill in the correct idiom.

- "What do you *do for a living*?" "I work as a nurse."
- After the divorce, they didn't talk for months but now they with each other.
- I'm going to the bank to ask for a loan because I
- Although he, he didn't win the race.
- Could you? If you're going out, could you buy some milk?
- Now's a good time to ask for a pay rise because the boss