

Directions: Complete the sentences with the words in parentheses. Use the simple present or the present progressive.

1. Right now I (look) _____ at the board. I (see) _____ some words on the board.

2. A: _____ (you, need) some help, Mrs. Brown?

_____ (you, want) me to carry that box for you?

B: Yes, thank you. That's very kind of you.

3. A. Who is that man? I (think) _____ that I (know) _____ him, but I forget his name.

B: That's Mr. Martinez.

A: That's right! I _____ (remember) him now.

4. A: _____ (you, believe) in flying saucers?

B: What (you, talk) _____ about?

A: You know, spaceships from outer space with alien creatures aboard.

B: In my opinion, flying saucers (exist) _____ only in people's imaginations.

5. 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 music on a radio. They also (hear) _____ the sound of seagulls and the sound of the waves.

6. A: What (you, think) _____ about right now?

B: I (think) _____ about seagulls and waves.

A: (you, like) _____ seagulls?

B: Yes. I (think) _____ seagulls are interesting birds.

7. A: Which colour (you, prefer) _____, red or blue?

B: I (like) _____ blue better than red. Why?

A: I (read) _____ a magazine article right now. According to the article, people who (prefer) _____ blue to red (be) _____ calm and (value) _____ honesty and loyalty in their friends. A preference for red (mean) _____ that a person (be) _____ aggressive and (love) _____ excitement.

B: Oh? That (sound) _____ like a bunch of nonsense to me.

8. A: Does the earth turn around and around?

B: Yes, Jimmy. The earth (spin) _____ around and around on its axis as it circles the sun. The earth (spin) _____ rapidly at this very moment.

B: Really? I can't feel it moving. (you, try) _____ to fool me?

A: Of course not! (you, think, really) _____ that the earth isn't moving?

B: I guess so. Yes. I can't see it move. Yes. It isn't moving.

A: (you, believe) _____ only those things that you can see?

Look at the trees out the window. All of them (grow) _____ at this very moment, but you can't see the growth. They (get) _____ bigger and

bigger with every second that passes. You can't see the trees grow, and you can't feel the earth spin, but both events (take) _____ place at this moment while you and I (speak) _____.

B: Really? How do you know?