5C A city for all seasons

I'm leaving because the weather is too good. I hate London when it's not raining.
Groucho Marx, American actor

G present simple or present continuous? **V** the weather and seasons **P** places in London

1 VOCABULARY the weather and seasons

a Put the letters in the right order to make seasons.



1 pgrsin
spring



2 irntew



3 umrmes



4 untuam

b Complete the words. What's the weather like?

THE WEATHER AROUND THE WORLD

1 **Beijing**
It's f o g g y.

5 **Istanbul**
It's s _ _ _ _.

2 **Buenos Aires**
It's w _ _ _ _.

6 **London**
It's r _ _ _ _ _ _.

3 **Cairo**
It's h _ _.

7 **Moscow**
It's c _ _ _.

4 **Edinburgh**
It's sn _ _ _ _ _.

8 **Zurich**
It's cl _ _ _ _.

c Complete the sentences with the phrases in **b**.

1 The sky is grey today. *It's cloudy.*
2 Can you open the window, please? _____.
3 Take an umbrella. _____.
4 Look! Everything's white. _____.
5 The trees are moving. _____.
6 Slow down and turn on the lights. _____.
7 Let's go to the beach. _____.
8 Close the window. _____.

2 GRAMMAR present simple or present continuous?

a Circle the correct form.

1 A What time does the museum close?
B *It closes / It's closing* at 6 p.m., I think.

2 A What are you doing here?
B I'm on holiday. *I sightsee / I'm sightseeing.*

3 A Can you talk?
B No. *I have dinner / I'm having dinner.*

4 A Where *do they usually go / are they usually going* on holiday?
B To Ibiza.

5 A How often does your wife go abroad?
B *She travels / She's travelling* to Asia four times a year.

6 A *Does it rain / Is it raining* where you are?
B Yes, it's really wet here.

7 A What *does your girlfriend do / is your girlfriend doing?*
B She's a travel guide.

8 A *Do you work / Are you working* this week?
B No. I'm on holiday.

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b Complete the sentences. Use the present simple or present continuous.

1 Helen usually *drives* _____ (drive) to work, but today it's sunny, so she*'s walking* _____ (walk).
2 Tom usually _____ (make) dinner for his wife, but today it's his birthday, so he _____ (not cook).
3 I _____ (work) this evening, but I usually _____ (finish) work at 5.00.
4 Scott and Chris often _____ (practise) their guitars in the evening, but tonight, they _____ (play) in a concert.
5 Laura usually _____ (go) on holiday in the summer, but this year she _____ (work) in a restaurant.
6 I _____ (read) a book in English at the moment, but I usually _____ (buy) books in Polish.

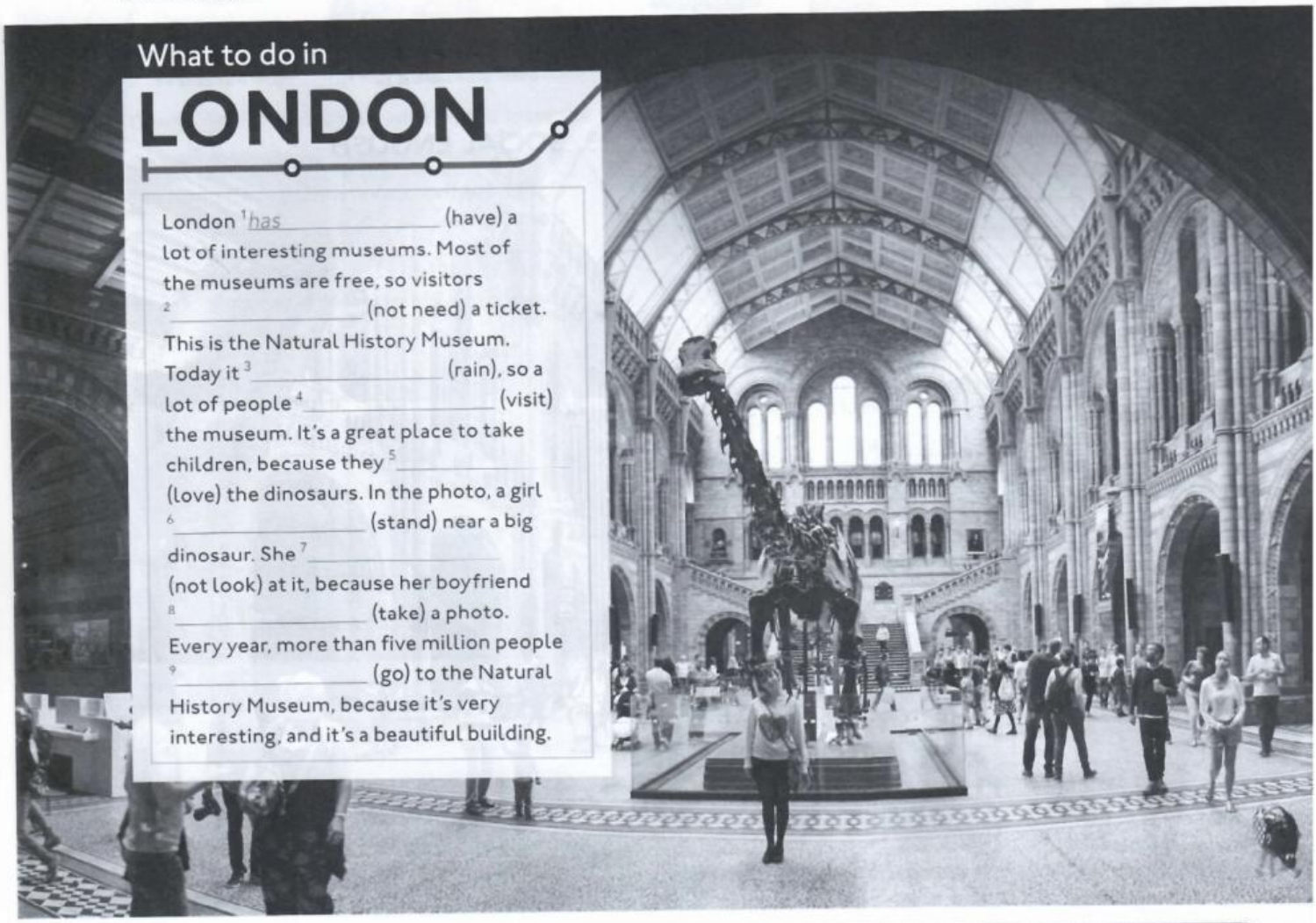
c Complete the article with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use present simple or present continuous.

3 PRONUNCIATION places in London

a Underline the stressed syllable in the **bold** words.

1 **Bu**cking**ham** **Pa**lace
2 **West**min**ster** **Ab**bey
3 **Co**vent **Gar**den
4 St Paul's **Ca**the**dral**
5 **Pi**cca**dil**ly **Cir**cus
6 **Leices**ter Square
7 the **Hou**ses of **Par**lia**ment**
8 **Tra**fal**gar** Square
9 **Wem**bley **Sta**di**um**
10 the **Tow**er of **Lon**don

b 5.4 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the words.



What to do in

LONDON

London [1]*has* _____ (have) a lot of interesting museums. Most of the museums are free, so visitors [2] _____ (not need) a ticket. This is the Natural History Museum. Today it [3] _____ (rain), so a lot of people [4] _____ (visit) the museum. It's a great place to take children, because they [5] _____ (love) the dinosaurs. In the photo, a girl [6] _____ (stand) near a big dinosaur. She [7] _____ (not look) at it, because her boyfriend [8] _____ (take) a photo. Every year, more than five million people [9] _____ (go) to the Natural History Museum, because it's very interesting, and it's a beautiful building.

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