

GRAMMAR

Present Simple and Present Continuous

We use the Present Simple for things we do regularly.
Lena never **gets up** before eleven at the weekend.

We use the Present Continuous for something happening now/at the moment.
Lena's **working** on her school project right now.

1 ● Mark the sentences N (now) or R (regular).

- ☒ R I usually have a shower before breakfast.
- ☐ My dad always drives to work.
- ☐ Katy is swimming at the moment.
- ☐ Pete is waiting for me at the bus stop.
- ☐ We don't have dinner at 6.30 at the weekend.
- ☐ My sister is playing games on her computer.

2 ● Match the sentence halves.

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| 1 ☒ d They aren't | a do homework at school. |
| 2 ☐ We don't | b are having a salad for lunch. |
| 3 ☐ He always | c she work on Saturdays? |
| 4 ☐ Today we | d doing a Chemistry test. |
| 5 ☐ Does | e feeling sad? |
| 6 ☐ Are you | f has fish for dinner. |

3 ● Mark the time expressions PS (Present Simple) or PC (Present Continuous).

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| 1 right now PC | 6 today ____ |
| 2 at the weekend ____ | 7 every day ____ |
| 3 never ____ | 8 always ____ |
| 4 on Thursdays ____ | 9 at the moment ____ |
| 5 sometimes ____ | |

4 ● Complete the sentences with the Present Simple or Present Continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- I usually **have** cereal for breakfast, but today I'm **having** eggs and toast. (have)
- Lindy usually ____ black clothes, but today she ____ a yellow dress. (wear)
- My dad usually ____ in town, but today he ____ at home. (work)
- Mum usually ____ films on TV, but today she ____ a music competition. (watch)
- We usually ____ English from a textbook, but today we ____ an English song. (learn)

5 ●● Make questions in the Present Simple or Present Continuous. Use full forms.

- A: **Where do you live?** (where / you / live / ?)
B: In Baker Street.
- A: ____
(what / you / read / ?)
B: My new book.
- A: ____
(Kenny / like / Chinese food / ?)
B: Oh, yes!
- A: ____
(where / Jim / go / ?)
B: To his French class. He's late.
- A: ____
(what / the teacher / write / ?)
B: Some sentences in the Present Simple.
- A: ____
(Mark and Angela / study / French / on Fridays / ?)
B: No, on Thursdays.

6 ●●● Complete the dialogue with these words.

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- Sam: Hi, Liz. ¹ **Are** you coming shopping with us? We want to buy some T-shirts.
- Liz: Oh yes! I don't often ² ____ clothes shopping. And I haven't got many T-shirts.
- Sam: We ³ ____ go to the shops on the High Street.
- Liz: Cool! My sister ⁴ ____ in a clothes shop there every Saturday. She ⁵ ____ that it's really good. We can go there.
- Sam: ⁶ ____ she work many hours?
- Liz: No, only mornings.
- Sam: Is she ⁷ ____ today?
- Liz: No. Today's Friday, so she ⁸ ____ working now.

