

Name: _____ Carné: _____

- 1** Choose the correct words to complete the sentences. Then write A for action verbs and S for state verbs.

- 1 Look, that's Hugo! *He's coming / He comes* over to see us. _____
- 2 Should we open the window? *It's feeling / It feels* hot in here. _____
- 3 I think we should get a bigger TV and Tom *is agreeing / agrees* with me. _____
- 4 How often *are they going / do they go* to the gym? _____
- 5 It's great to see you! *Are you having / Do you have* a good time? _____
- 6 Anna needs some help. She's *not understanding / doesn't understand* what to do. _____
- 7 My brother *is working / works* in the U.S. at the moment. _____
- 8 I'm sure that jacket *is belonging / belongs* to Marcia. _____

- 2** Complete the sentences with the simple present or present continuous form of the verbs in the box. Use two verbs twice.

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- 1 Hannah believes that ghosts really _____.
- 2 I didn't have time to cook, so we _____ takeout pizza.
- 3 We _____ to the supermarket once a week.
- 4 You look happy! What _____ you _____ about?
- 5 Marco _____ cooking for other people.
- 6 My sister _____ that I should call our parents more often.
- 7 _____ you _____ a large apartment?
- 8 The children _____ a lot of noise because they are very excited.

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Dealing with online trolls

A It's always best to avoid trolls – both the ugly creatures in fairy stories and the equally ugly (on the inside at least) kind who spread their nasty comments by using a computer keyboard. If you look at the comments section of any online newspaper, you will find the second type at work, leaving shocking and unpleasant messages on all sorts of subjects.

B As a society, we value free speech, and, of course, there's a thin line between strong disagreement and messages that are completely unacceptable. But, basically, if someone's main goal is to spread hate and lies, to upset or embarrass someone, or even to scare the person, that person is a troll. Unfortunately, if you use social media, you are sure to have personal experience of trolling sooner or later. Trolls need victims, and they will find them in any online space where people communicate in public.

C If (or when) you meet one, remember that the ability to make you react is like food to a troll – so don't feed them! Trolls are not sensible people. They don't actually want a reasonable discussion, so there's no point at all in trying to have one. It may be tempting to insult or threaten trolls, but they will like this – it is "playing their game," and they are more likely to continue with it than stop. They are only trying to upset you, and if you don't give them a response, they have failed.



D Always remember that the troll is the one with the problem, not you. It's obvious that nobody who hides behind a keyboard to write things he or she would never dare say face-to-face can be a happy and secure person. In fact, newspaper reports of people who have been taken to court for threatening or inappropriate trolling almost always seem to describe sad and lonely lives. Trolls make us furious, but sympathy would probably be a more appropriate emotion.

3 Read the sentences. Write T for true sentences, F for false sentences, and D when the article doesn't give you enough information to be sure.

- 1 The word "troll" has more than one meaning. _____
- 2 Most comments on online newspapers are written by trolls. _____
- 3 People can sometimes seem rude when they express strong opinions. _____
- 4 It is possible to use social media sites without seeing messages from trolls. _____
- 5 Only very intelligent people become trolls. _____
- 6 Trolls don't like it if you post angry replies. _____
- 7 Trolls always make a great effort to keep their names secret. _____
- 8 Trolls are often unhappy people. _____

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1 Complete the questions with the words in the box.

Is Did Does What Have Were
Who How long Do Why

- 1 _____ you have a good time yesterday evening?
- 2 _____ did the meeting go on for in the end?
- 3 _____ should we have for dinner tonight?
- 4 _____ the city of Tijuana in Mexico or the U.S.?
- 5 _____ you spoken to Peter at all today?
- 6 _____ did Liam decide to become a vegetarian?
- 7 _____ your brother have a job?
- 8 _____ Alice and Ben pleased when you told them the news?
- 9 _____ were you talking to when I saw you this morning?
- 10 _____ you know where the castle is?

3 Complete the phrases with *say*, *tell*, *speak*, or *talk*.

- 1 _____ German
- 2 _____ goodbye
- 3 _____ jokes
- 4 _____ more slowly
- 5 _____ you're sorry
- 6 _____ someone a story
- 7 _____ to someone about a problem
- 8 _____ the truth
- 9 _____ that you are hungry
- 10 _____ thank you
- 11 _____ someone a secret
- 12 _____ nice things to someone