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b 5.9 Read part of an online forum. Guess the meaning of the highlighted verbs and verb phrases. Then listen to eight sounds and write 1–8 in the boxes.

NOISY FAMILY? NOISY NEIGHBORS?

Do you have a problem with noise, for example, when you want to study, or at night when you want to sleep? Tell us about your problems.



- [ ] The baby in the apartment upstairs cries all the time.
- [ ] My sister practices the piano for hours.
- [ ] The neighbors' dog barks all day – and all night!
- [ ] The people next door often have noisy parties until 3:00 a.m.
- [ ] My son plays loud music in his room – awful music, too.
- [ ] The couple next door argues a lot.
- [ ] The old people in the apartment next door have the TV on very loud – and their living room is next to my bedroom!
- [ ] The people next door have young children who make a lot of noise.

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c Now answer questions 5–7.

5 What noises do your family or neighbors make? Are the noises a problem for you?

6 Are you noisy? Do you do any of the things in **b**?

7 Are people in your country noisy? Is this a problem?



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b Listen again and complete the conversations with verbs from the list.

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1 **Max** Hey, Lucy. I'm [1] _____ to study, and you're [2] _____ too much noise.
Lucy It isn't noise, it's Beethoven. I'm [3] _____ – I have a school concert tomorrow. You can study downstairs.
Max I can't, Jake's [4] _____ a video game.
Lucy What about the kitchen?
Max No, Mom's [5] _____ dinner, and she's [6] _____ to the radio. It's impossible to work in this house!

2 **Isabel** Paul! Come here.
Paul Yes, dear? What's the matter?
Isabel What's [7] _____ next door? Why's their dog [8] _____? I can't hear the radio.
Paul They're [9] _____ a party in the yard.
Isabel Not again! Can you go and talk to them?
Paul Yeah, OK. It's their second party in three weeks!

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Spelling rules when using "ign":

base form	verb + *-ing*	spelling
cook, read study, try	cooking, reading studying, trying	+ *-ing*
dance, live	dancing, living	~~e~~ *-ing*
shop, swim	shopping, swimming	one vowel + one consonant: double consonant +*-ing*

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5B

a Write a question and an answer.



What's he doing? He's cooking.

1 _____.
2 _____.
3 _____.
4 _____.
5 _____.

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b Put the verbs in parentheses in the present continuous.

A Hello, Tina. Where are you?
B I'm in Seattle. I'm visiting (visit) my parents.
I [1] _____ (stay) with them for a week.
[2] What _____ you _____ (do)?
A I [3] _____ (look for) a job. Right now
I [4] _____ (look) at job ads online.
B Good luck! [5] _____ you still _____ (live) with your parents?
A Yes. But I'm not at home really. I'm usually at my friend's apartment.
B [6] What _____ she _____ (do) now?
[7] _____ she still _____ (study) drama?
A No, she [8] _____ (work) at a café, but she [9] _____ (not enjoy) it much.
She [10] _____ (look for) a job as an actress.
B Well, maybe we can all get together next week.
A Good idea. How about Friday?

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