

Exercise 5 Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the **present tense**.

1. Every year in the United States, an estimated 15 million people _____ (go) for surgery and every one of them _____ (run) the risk of complications.
2. Flavouring agents and herbs _____ (enhance) the flavour of food. This _____ (include) the taste and smell. As most of the natural flavours of food _____ (be) lost during processing most people _____ (find) it bland and tasteless. Artificial flavourings _____ (be) used in many food items.
3. The circulatory system in human _____ (include) the blood, blood vessels and heart. The heart _____ (act) as a pump. The muscle of the heart _____ (contract) and _____ (relax) to allow the passage of blood in and out of the heart. Every time the heart _____ (beat), the ventricles of the heart _____ (contract) and _____ (force) blood into the arteries. It _____ (create) a pressure wave that _____ (cause) the arteries to _____ (expand) and _____ (contract) rhythmically.
4. To bake the chocolate cake, Anita first _____ (cream) the butter and sugar until light and fluffy. She then _____ (beat) in the black treacle. She _____ (mix) in the eggs, a little at a time. After that, she _____ (add) the ground almonds for the texture and _____ (stir) the melted chocolate into the mixture. Next, she _____ (sieve) the flour with the cocoa and baking powder, and _____ (fold) it into the mixture, making sure the finished mixture does not _____ (look) streaky. Then, she _____ (divide) the mixture between the two greased, lined sandwich tins. Lastly, she _____ (level) the mixture in the tins, and _____ (put) it into a preheated oven to bake.
5. Off the coast of Perak State, _____ (lie) a cluster of fabulous islands. The popular island resort of Pulau Pangkor _____ (welcome) visitors with its serene golden beaches, crystalline blue waters, and cool refreshing breezes. Calm and tranquillity _____ (greet) you the moment you _____ (set) foot on the resort. The natural beauty of unspoilt nature _____ (awe) visitors. They _____ (enjoy) the exotic flora and fauna. The secluded pristine beach and breathtaking sunset _____ (make) the resort one of the preferred holiday destinations in Malaysia.