

# Present tenses overview

The present simple and present continuous are used in different situations. There are different ways to form questions and negatives with these tenses.



## 5.1 LOOK AT THE PICTURES AND COMPLETE THE SENTENCES USING THE PHRASES IN THE PANEL



Mike and Ellie are painting their house this afternoon.



3 Is Dimitri still \_\_\_\_\_ the garage wall?



1 Annabelle \_\_\_\_\_ caves in her free time.



4 Brendan \_\_\_\_\_ watching comedies on TV in the evenings.



2 João \_\_\_\_\_ dogs. He's really scared of them.



5 Sid and Les \_\_\_\_\_ at the beauty salon.

explores

~~are painting~~

work

doesn't like

loves

building

## 5.2 CROSS OUT THE INCORRECT WORDS IN EACH SENTENCE



Jim ~~tries~~ / **is trying** to build a chair.

1



Kit **goes** / ~~is going~~ scuba diving with her friends on Fridays.

2



Ben and Kelly ~~dance~~ / **are dancing** at the club tonight.

3



Sai **puts** / ~~is putting~~ the dishes in the dishwasher each evening.

4



Bruce **waits** / ~~is waiting~~ to go for a walk.



## 5.3 FILL IN THE GAPS BY PUTTING THE VERBS IN THE PRESENT SIMPLE OR THE PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Alastair usually plays (play) tennis, but this afternoon he is playing (play) badminton.

- 1 Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (not send) letters often, but she \_\_\_\_\_ (write) one to her mother now.
- 2 I \_\_\_\_\_ (work) from home today, but usually I \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in an office.
- 3 We usually \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Spain on vacation, but this year we \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Mexico.
- 4 Helen \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in an elementary school. She \_\_\_\_\_ (teach) math right now.
- 5 I \_\_\_\_\_ (not eat) meat very often, but tonight I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a steak.
- 6 It \_\_\_\_\_ (not rain) often in California, but today it \_\_\_\_\_ (pour).
- 7 My cousin \_\_\_\_\_ (perform) on stage now. I \_\_\_\_\_ (love) her voice.
- 8 Rajiv \_\_\_\_\_ (wear) a T-shirt now, but he always \_\_\_\_\_ (wear) a shirt at work.
- 9 My dad \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) now. He \_\_\_\_\_ (be) tired after the journey.
- 10 Juan normally \_\_\_\_\_ (start) work at 8am, but today he \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the dentist.
- 11 Bob \_\_\_\_\_ (take) a taxi to work this morning, but he usually \_\_\_\_\_ (take) the bus.

### 5.4 MATCH THE BEGINNINGS OF THE SENTENCES TO THE CORRECT ENDINGS

	Mario sometimes	→	living at the moment?
1	My brother doesn't		in the kitchen?
2	My mom usually bakes	→	plays tennis with his uncle.
3	Where is your sister		play golf with your colleagues?
4	Tom's new girlfriend		work on Friday afternoons.
5	What's dad cooking		a cake on the weekends.
6	How often do you		lives in a resort in Spain.



### 5.5 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, PUTTING THE WORDS IN THE CORRECT ORDER

never the Ben bus work. takes to

*Ben never takes the bus to work.*

1 you soccer weekend? Do the on play

2 Paula French college? studying is at

3 your Why wearing a is today? dad suit

4 usually at Fridays. works on Clarissa home

## 5.6 MARK THE SENTENCES THAT ARE CORRECT



Do Christina still have a cat?  
Does Christina still have a cat?

1



Lou wakes up at 7am each morning.  
Lou wake up at 7am each morning.

2



Henry is performing at a country and western club tonight.  
Henry are performing at a country and western club tonight.

3



Tanya doesn't feels well, so she's not coming to the party.  
Tanya doesn't feel well, so she's not coming to the party.



## 5.7 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, CORRECTING THE ERRORS

Unfortunately, Mr. Clarke **doesn't understands** Russian.

Unfortunately, Mr. Clarke doesn't understand Russian.



1 Steve **read** in bed before he **go** to sleep.

\_\_\_\_\_



2 Lisa and Tim **goes** to the gym after work.

\_\_\_\_\_



3 My mom **plays** golf with her friend this afternoon.

\_\_\_\_\_



4 Vernon **don't like** snakes. He really **hate** them.

\_\_\_\_\_



5 We often **are going** to the café by the park.

\_\_\_\_\_



6 Craig **walking** in the mountains with Rob this week.

\_\_\_\_\_

