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Underline the correct tense.

- Liz and I are good friends. We know/have known each other for four years.
- Sarah is very tired. She has been working/is working hard all day.
- 'Where is John?' 'He's upstairs. He does/is doing his homework.'
- I can't go to the party on Saturday. I am leaving/have been leaving for Spain on Friday night.
- Jane has finished/is finishing cleaning her room, and now she is going out with her friends.
- I didn't recognise Tom. He looks/is looking so different in a suit.
- I don't need to wash my car. Jim washes/has washed it for me already.
- Ian has been talking/is talking to his boss for an hour now.
- Claire's train arrives/has arrived at 3 o'clock. I must go and meet her at the station.
- 'Would you like to borrow this book?' 'No, thanks. I have read/have been reading it before.'
- 'Where are you going/do you go?' 'To the cinema. Would you like to come with me?'
- Have you seen my bag? I am searching/have been searching for it all morning.
- 'Is Colin here?' 'I don't know. I haven't seen/haven't been seeing him all day.'
- Sophie is very clever. She is speaking/speaks seven different languages.
- We are moving/have moved house tomorrow. Everything is packed.

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Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

- A: What are you doing... (you/do)?
B: Nothing. I (just/finish) my lunch.
- A: Where (you/be) all morning?
B: I (clean) my house since 8 o'clock.
- A: (you/do) anything next weekend?
B: No, I (not/make) any plans yet.
- A: Jane looks great. (she/lose) weight?
B: Yes, she (exercise) a lot recently.
- A: (be/you) busy right now?
B: Yes, I (just/start) typing this report.
- A: Where is Peter?
B: He (wash) the car at the moment.
- A: Who (be) your favourite actor?
B: I (like) Sean Connery since I was a child.
- A: (you/do) your homework yet?
B: Almost; I (do) it now.

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Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

- Who has been using (use) my toothbrush?
- 'What (you/do)?'
'I (write) a letter.'
- Samantha (play) tennis with friends every weekend.
- Tim and Matilda (be) married since 1991.
- Uncle Bill (just/decorate) the bathroom.
- Pauline and Tom (sing) in the school choir twice a week.
- Who (you/speak) to?
- Sarah is very happy. She (win) a poetry competition.
- He (drink) two cups of coffee this morning.
- My friend (live) in America at the moment.
- They (usually/change) jobs every five years.
- I (normally/cut) my hair myself.
- Linda (study) in the library for three hours.
- We (play) in a concert next weekend.
- Who (read) my diary?
- Tim (leave) the house at 7 o'clock every morning.
- (your mother/work) in a bank?
- (you/drink) coffee with your breakfast every day?
- We (make) plans for our summer holidays right now.
- They (move) house in September.

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Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

Dear Nick,

This is just a short note to tell you I 1) 'm arriving/arrive... (arrive) at the airport at 5 pm on Saturday, 10th December. I 2) (be) very busy recently, and that's why I 3) (not/write) to you for a while. I 4) (plan) this trip for months, so now I 5) (look forward) to spending some time with you and your family. I 6) (hope) you will be able to meet me at the airport. Please give my love to your wife and the children.

See you soon,
James