

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition and the present continuous or present perfect form of the verb.

- Over / Under the last few weeks, prices _____ (not change) very much.
- We _____ (stay) near the beach at / on the moment.
- I _____ (not work) on this for / since ages.
- Nobody _____ (be) here for / since the late nineteenth century.

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2 Choose the correct option and write the correct form of the verb to complete the sentences. Use going to or used to.

- We _____ (go) away on holiday in / at a few days.
- In / At a year's time, we _____ (buy) a new car.
- People _____ (live) in these caves in / at the past.
- When / At I was younger, we _____ (go) away every summer.

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3 Choose the correct word.

- Hopefully, we'll get there *before* / *after* the plane leaves. We won't be late.
- When / Until Jo finishes her exams, we'll have a holiday. I can't wait!
- As soon as / Before I get home, I'll take a bath. Only five more minutes and we'll be there!
- We won't know the results *until* / *when* 5.30.
- After / Until the show ends, we'll meet all the actors backstage.

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4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- Mark will call as soon as he _____ (get) there.
- When I see Pete, I _____ (ask) him.
- We won't start the party until all the guests _____ (arrive).
- Before you _____ (leave), will you help me move the chairs?
- After the concert starts, we _____ (have to) be quiet.

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VOCABULARY

5 Complete the sentences with words in the box.

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- The currency is very _____. Other countries can't afford to buy our products.
- Inflation is quite _____. It's at 0.5%.
- There's a _____ of unemployment.
- The average salary is _____ £20,000 a year.
- The currency is so _____ that we can't go abroad because it's too expensive.
- Inflation is really _____. It's at 7%.

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6 Complete the sentences with the correct verb.

- I'd like to *invest* / *owe* / *worth* my savings in shares in the company.
- Peter *left* / *saved* / *borrowed* £20 from me yesterday.
- This painting is *worth* / *owing* / *given* about \$1 million.
- I'm *owing* / *winning* / *saving* my money to pay for a new car, so I'm not going out much this month.
- How much do you *worth* / *earn* / *win* each month in your job?
- Adam *borrow* / *owes* / *leaves* his parents thousands of pounds. It'll take him years to pay them back.
- My friends and I *won* / *bought* / *earned* lots of money on the lottery.
- I'd like to *buy* / *give* / *worth* the guitar in the window. How much is it?
- Do you *give* / *win* / *earn* much money to charity?
- My grandmother *owed* / *borrowed* / *left* me some money in her will when she died.

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7 Match 1-4 to a-d to make collocations. Then match 5-8 to e-h.

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| 1 take out | a a bank account |
| 2 open | b money to your parents |
| 3 transfer | c 2% interest |
| 4 charge | d a mortgage |
| 5 cancel | e a profit |
| 6 pay | f a card |
| 7 change | g bills by direct debit each month |
| 8 make | h some money from dollars to euros |

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