

Unit 5: Simple Present Vs Present Continuous

1. Read the text and write the verbs in the simple Present Continuous: Use words from the box.

doesn't like	'm watching	like	do	's sleeping
stays	play	'm not doing		plays



I _____ sport. I _____ judo on Fridays and I _____ volleyball every weekend. Right now I _____ sport, I _____ a match on TV! My brother _____ sport. Every Weekend he _____ at home and _____ computer games. Right now he _____!

2. Read the conversation and complete it with Simple Present or Present Continuous form the verbs in brackets. (don't use contractions)

Alex: Hi, Sue. What _____ (you/do)?

Sue: I _____ (watch)TV right now. What about you?



Alex: I _____ (study)for my exams, but it's boring! Every day, I _____ (get up)at six o'clock. After that, I _____ (read) my notes. Today, I _____ (try) to finish my History revision.

Sue: History! Yuk!

Alex: How _____ (you/spend) your time these days?

Sue: Well, most days, I _____ (wake up) at around 10. After that, I _____ (listen) to music. Then I _____ (usually/go) out with friends.

Alex: Oh. It would be great if I didn't have exams!

3. Complete the text with Simple Present or Present Continuous. (don't use contractions)

My friend Wugang is a new student from China. Wugang's parents _____ (not know) any English, so he always _____ (speak) Chinese with them. I _____ (love) listening to Chinese and Wugang _____ (teach) me a new word in Chinese every day. Today, Wugang and his parents _____ (prepare) for Chinese New Year - a very important festival. Chinese people



often _____ (wear) red clothes for the festival and they _____ (put) beautiful decorations in their windows. At the moment, Wugang's dad _____ (wash) the floors in

their house because Chinese people always _____ (clean) their homes for the festival. Wugang _____ (not help) his father. He and his mother _____ (make) special cakes for the festival.

4. Read the sentences and choose the reason for their tenses.

1. London is the capital city of the United Kingdom.

- a) It's a fact.
- b) It's a habit.

2. I'm wearing a suit today for my interview.

- a) It's a temporary situation.
- b) It's a permanent situation.

3. I'm checking my e-mail.

- a) It's a habit.
- b) It's an activity that is in progress.

4. Do you wear a shirt every day?

- a) It's something happening at the time we are speaking.
- b) It's something that happens regularly.

5. At weekends, I wear jeans and a T-shirt.

- a) It's a habit.
- b) It's an activity happening now.