Grammar Review

Complete the passages. Use the Present Simple, Present Progressive, Past Simple or Future Simple.

My favorite sport _____ (be) swimming. I _____ (go) to the swimming pool twice a week. I _____ (learn) to swim when I was six years old. My brother, Gilad, also _____ (swim) well and we often _____ (practice) together. Today we _____ (practice) for the swim across the Kinneret. I _____ (hope) that I _____ (be) ready for the race by next month. Gilad _____ (believe) that we _____ (be) the champions of our age group. I really _____ (not care) if we win or lose. I _____ (think) it will be a great experience and I only _____ (hope) I _____ (do) my best.

My vacation is great! We _____ (arrive) in Cape Town a few days ago. Now we _____ (stay) at a hotel, but next week we _____ (stay) with our cousins. I _____ (not want) to leave the hotel- it _____ (be) really nice! Yesterday we _____ (go) to a big, flat mountain called Table Mountain. I _____ (not enjoy) it very much. It _____ (be) very cloudy, so we _____ (not see) the view from the top of the mountain. We _____ (go) again in a few days. Tomorrow we _____ (visit) the Botanical Garden. I _____ (be) very excited! I _____ (love) gardens! Oh, my parents _____ (call) me right now. They _____ (want) to go to dinner. I have to go.

Last week it _____ (be) my birthday. I _____ (have) an amazing party! All my friends _____ (come). We _____ (listen) to music and _____ (play) games. We _____ (eat) a lot of food, but we _____ (not have) a birthday cake. I _____ (not like) cake, so my dad _____ (make) cookies for the party. Am I the only person in the world who doesn't like birthday cake??

Now I _____ (write) "Thank You" emails to all my friends. My best friend, Tom, _____ (help) me. He always _____ (know) exactly what to write. He _____ (be) a great writer. In a few hours, we _____ (send) all the emails. then we _____ (plan) another party- for Tom. It's his birthday next week! I _____ (be) excited to help Tom plan his party. My only question is: What present should I buy for him?