

Practice

1 Underline the correct sentence for each situation.

- a) You want to invite a friend to your party on Friday. You say:
 - 1 I have a party on Friday. Do you want to come?
 - 2 I'm having a party on Friday. Do you want to come?
- b) You find a wallet on your desk and ask the people nearby:
 - 1 Who does this wallet belong to?
 - 2 Who is this wallet belonging to?
- c) A friend invites you to a snack bar at lunch time. You say:
 - 1 Thanks, but I always go home.
 - 2 Thanks, but I'm always going home.
- d) A friend opens the door and says: What are you doing? You reply:
 - 1 I work as a secretary.
 - 2 I'm repairing the computer.
- e) You haven't decided yet about buying a new bike. You say:
 - 1 I think about it.
 - 2 I'm thinking about it.
- f) A friend asks: Do you like lemon tea? You reply:
 - 1 I prefer tea with milk.
 - 2 I'm preferring tea with milk.
- g) A friend asks you if you have finished the book she lent you. You say:
 - 1 Sorry, I still read it.
 - 2 Sorry, I'm still reading it.
- h) It's a hot day, but a friend has a heavy coat on. You ask:
 - 1 Why do you wear a heavy coat?
 - 2 Why are you wearing a heavy coat?

2 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- a) That can't be right! I don't believe/I'm not believing it!
- b) Caroline can't swim today. She has/is having a cold.
- c) See you in the morning. I leave/I'm leaving now.
- d) What do you do/are you doing? If you drop it, it will explode!
- e) Stop doing that, Bill! You're/You're being very silly.
- f) I drive/I'm driving! You can sit in the back with Martin.
- g) What do we eat/are we eating this evening? I'm really hungry!
- h) You're a great cook! This cake tastes/is tasting wonderful.
- i) Where do you go/are you going? I haven't finished speaking to you!
- j) Chemistry is hard. I don't understand/I'm not understanding it.

3 Put each verb in brackets into the present simple or present continuous.

- a) Ugh, don't show me that picture! I (hate) **hate** mice!
- b) Who (you, go) to the match on Saturday with?
- c) In the winter, what (you, wear) ?
- d) I can't stand horror films. I (think) they're silly!
- e) Diana (not, usually, sit) next to Ellen.
- f) Why (you, look at) me like that?
- g) Excuse me. (this bus, stop) outside the station?
- h) I (not take) the bus to school today.

4 Match each sentence (a–h) with a suitable response (1–8).

- a) What do you usually do on your birthday? 1.....
- b) Would you like to meet again on Saturday?
- c) What do you usually do when there is an earthquake?
- d) Have you finished your homework?
- e) What are you doing?
- f) What are you doing on Friday?
- g) Are you in the school basketball team?
- h) What do you do?

- 1 I have a party.
- 2 I lie under the table.
- 3 I work in a travel agency.
- 4 Yes, we play every Friday.
- 5 I'm still doing it.
- 6 It's hot in here. I'm opening some windows.
- 7 I'm going back to Canada tomorrow.
- 8 I'm having a party.

5 Put each verb in brackets into the present simple or present continuous.

- a) What (usually, you, do) **do** **you** **usually** **do** at the weekend?
- b) Don't worry about the cat. It (only eat) once a day.
- c) I can't work out the answer. (you, know) what it is?
- d) What's the matter? Why (you, stare) at me like that?
- e) (you, speak) English? I'm looking for a hotel.
- f) Elena (stay) with me while her house is being decorated.
- g) You should go on a diet. (you, put) on weight.
- h) (they, speak) French or German? I can't tell the difference.