

STARTER UNIT GRAMMAR REVISION

Present simple and present continuous

1 Put the verbs in brackets in the present simple or the present continuous.

I can't talk now. I'm doing (do) my homework.

- 1 She _____ (practise) the guitar for at least twenty minutes every day.
- 2 Dan _____ (have) a shower, I think. He'll be down in a minute.
- 3 They _____ (come) to our house for New Year every year. It's a family tradition.
- 4 We _____ (study) dinosaurs this week. It's really interesting.
- 5 My friend Beth _____ (not eat) meat, so can we have fish for dinner for the sleepover?
- 6 Why _____ (you / stand) on that chair? That isn't very safe!

Past simple

2 Complete the story with the correct past simple form of the verbs.

be decide go hear listen not hear notice push run stay you / break

One night last month my parents were out with friends so I (1) _____ at home with my little brother. At about eleven o'clock, I (2) _____ a strange noise downstairs. I (3) _____ carefully, but I (4) _____ it again. I was still worried, so I (5) _____ to go and check that it wasn't an intruder. I (6) _____ downstairs very slowly. I (7) _____ that the kitchen door was open a little. I (8) _____ it open. Then our cat (9) _____ past me, through the milk on the kitchen floor. 'Oh Millie! It's you! (10) _____ that bottle of milk?' I asked.

3 Complete the dialogues with the correct past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 A When (you / go) to Italy?
B I (go) to Italy last summer.
- 2 A What (they / have) for dinner yesterday?
B They (have) pizza.
- 3 A How (Marc / feel) before his party?
B He (feel) excited.
- 4 A Where (you and Tom / meet)?
B We (meet) on our first day at school.

4 Put the words in the correct order to write questions.

1 a / parents / hire / did / car / your?

2 go / where / on / did / they / holiday?

3 time / land / the / plane / did / what?

4 many / did / send / how / you / postcards?

5 miss / did / your / why / you / flight?

5 Write past simple questions for the underlined information.

She went to Spain on holiday. *Where did she go on holiday?*

1 They played football on Saturday.

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2 My grandparents lived in that flat.

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3 I did my homework after school.

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4 I ate a healthy salad for lunch yesterday.

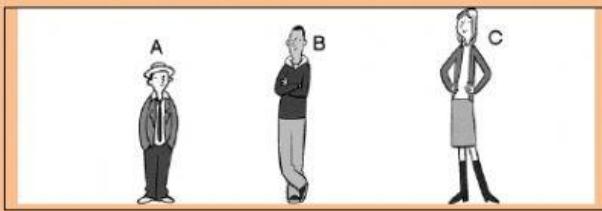
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5 I felt really angry when I heard the news.

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Comparative and superlative adjectives

6 Look at the pictures. Complete the sentences to compare A, B and C. Use comparative and superlative forms of the words.



short / tall

1 A is _____ than B.

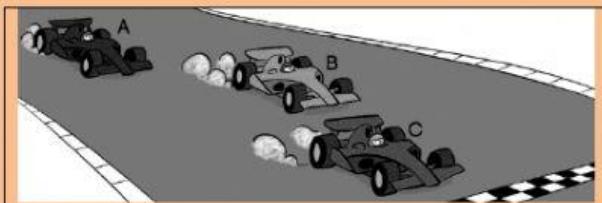
2 C is the _____.



cheap / expensive

1 A is the _____

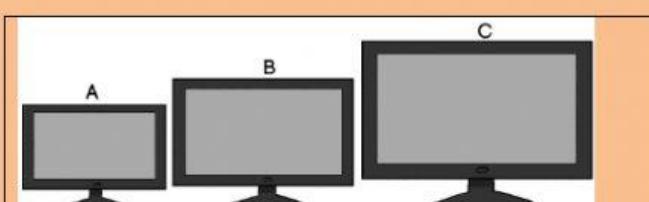
2 B is not as _____ as C.



slow / fast

3 C is the _____

4 B is _____ than A but _____ than C.



small / big

5 B is _____ than C but _____ than A.

6 A is the _____

