

A Circle the correct word or phrase.

- 1 Elizabeth **usually goes** / **is usually going** to bed at around eleven o'clock.
- 2 Dan **talks** / **is talking** on the other phone right now.
- 3 We **don't eat** / **aren't eating** any meat at the moment as we're both on a diet.
- 4 **Does** air travel **get** / **Is** air travel **getting** increasingly safe?
- 5 My mum **calls** / **is calling** me every weekend without fail.
- 6 How much **do** babysitters **generally earn** / **are** babysitters **generally earning**?
- 7 **You always come** / **You're always coming** up with excuses for not having done your homework. It's so annoying!
- 8 **I don't go** / **I'm not going** out much during the week but **I always try** / **I'm always trying** to go out somewhere on Saturday night.
- 9 No, the train **does stop** / **is stopping** at Cirencester on Saturdays.
- 10 My mum **takes** / **is taking** part in ice-skating competitions almost every weekend.

C Complete using the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 It's the first time **(I / ever / eat)** octopus!
- 2 Sandy **(not / see)** his sister since she went to university.
- 3 They **(go)** on holiday to Spain and won't be back until the end of the month.
- 4 Poor Tracy! She **(write)** that essay for hours now and she still hasn't finished!
- 5 **(you / ever / meet)** anyone famous?
- 6 **(I / try)** to get in touch with Jenny all morning but I can't find her anywhere.
- 7 **(I / not finish)** the book yet so I can't tell you what happens.
- 8 **(you / already / decide)** where you're going this summer?
- 9 **(We / live)** here for the last six years.
- 10 **(I / never / hear)** such nonsense!

E Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Ian a shower at the moment, so could you call back in about half an hour?
 A takes
 B is taking
 C has taken
 D has been taking
- 2 to Ipswich before?
 A Do you ever go
 B Are you ever going
 C Have you ever been
 D Have you ever been going
- 3 I to all the local newspapers and TV stations to complain.
 A already write
 B already writing
 C have already written
 D have already been writing
- 6 That's the first time an answer right today!
 A I get
 B I am getting
 C I have got
 D I have been getting
- 7 Jessica has left, I'm afraid.
 A already
 B yet
 C still
 D so far
- 8 Dan in the living room while we redecorate his bedroom.
 A sleeps
 B is sleeping
 C has slept
 D does sleep
- 9 I unfortunately Simone a day

4 have already been writing
 A TV for the last four hours? Turn it off and get some exercise!
 B Are you watching
 C Watched you
 D Have you been watching

5 Eric, hockey competitively or just for fun?
 A do you usually play
 B are you usually playing
 C have you usually played
 D have you usually been playing

9 Unfortunately, Simone a day off very often.
 A doesn't get
 B isn't getting
 C hasn't got
 D hasn't been getting

10 Actually, I a cup of tea first thing every morning but then I switch to coffee.
 A do drink
 B am drinking
 C have drunk
 D have been drinking

I Write one word in each gap.

Holiday Blues

'You've (1) looking at that timetable for the last ten minutes. It can't be that confusing!' said Sheila angrily.
 'I (2) wish you'd be quiet! I've (3) a splitting headache thanks to you!' replied Matt.
 'Mum! Dad! Please!' said Alison. 'You're both (4) very silly. (5) is no point at all in blaming each other. That's not going to help us find out what time the next train to Budapest is due to leave.'
 'You (6) quite right, darling. I (7) sorry,' said Sheila.
 'Me too,' mumbled Matt. 'Now, let's have another look at this timetable. Well, it (8) like we (9) definitely missed the last train today. That was the 18.20 we just missed, wasn't it?'
 'I (10) so,' said Sheila. 'I mean, it did leave at 18.20. Whether it's actually going to Budapest or not is another question.'
 'Well, one thing is (11) in doubt,' said Matt.
 'What's that?' asked Sheila and Alison together.
 'This is the worst holiday we've (12) been on,' said Matt. 'Next year, we're going to try something far less adventurous.'
 'Agreed!' said Sheila and Alison.

J Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write between two and five words in each gap.

1 What's the price of the tickets, Jimmy? **much**
 How , Jimmy?

2 Are these your trainers? **to**
 Do you?

3 Sasha's not keen on team sports at all. **like**
 Sasha team sports at all.

4 It's only her second time in a recording studio. **been**
 She in a recording studio once before.

5 We got here three hours ago. **have**
 We three hours.

6 I started writing this hours ago and it's still not right. **writing**
 I hours and it's still not right.

7 This is my first experience of flying alone. **time**
 It is the first alone.

8 Sharon's in the bath at the moment. **a**
 Sharon at the moment.

9 Paul enjoys surprises apart from on his birthday. **does**
 Paul surprises, just not on his birthday!