

## PRESENT TENSES

### I Match the sentences from the first column with the correct description in the second column.

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| 1. I'm <b>leaving</b> for Paris next Friday.                 | a. past actions completed in an unspecified time  |
| 2. Tom's train <b>arrives</b> at 12 o'clock.                 | b. changing or developing action                  |
| 3. My cousin <b>is staying</b> with me these days.           | c. to express criticism or annoyance              |
| 4. They <b>have just arrived</b> .                           | d. actions recently finished with visible results |
| 5. More and more students <b>are passing</b> this exam.      | e. timetables or programs                         |
| 6. Mum! You <b>are always calling</b> at the wrong time!     | f. action began in the past and still continuing  |
| 7. Mum! You always <b>listen</b> to all my problems! Thanks! | g. future personal arrangement                    |
| 8. Eric <b>has been surfing</b> the net all night long.      | h. temporary action                               |
| 9. We <b>have finished</b> the exercise.                     | i. recently completed action                      |
| 10. Why are you sad? <b>Has</b> something <b>happened</b> ?  | j. routines                                       |

### II Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D.

It's Friday night and Rose (1) \_\_\_ out with Walter. It's their first date. She (2) \_\_\_ very nervous. Normally, she (3) \_\_\_ very cool about these dates, but there's something about Walter ... she likes him...a lot. So, now she (4) \_\_\_ in front of her mirror trying out dresses. She (5) \_\_\_ out for 2 hour now. She most likely (6) \_\_\_ about a dozen of dresses. She finally decides to wear a red dress which (7) \_\_\_ good on her. She (8) \_\_\_ getting ready and goes in the living room to wait for Walter's arrival. An hour (9) \_\_\_ and still nothing. After she (10) \_\_\_ for more than two hours, the door bell rings. She goes to open...but it's not Walter.

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|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 1. A. goes     | B. is going     | C. has gone     | D. has been going     |
| 2. A. feels    | B. is feeling   | C. has felt     | D. has been feeling   |
| 3. A. feels    | B. is feeling   | C. has felt     | D. has been feeling   |
| 4. A. stands   | B. is standing  | C. has stood    | D. has been standing  |
| 5. A. tries    | B. is trying    | C. has tried    | D. has been trying    |
| 6. A. tries    | B. is trying    | C. has tried    | D. has been trying    |
| 7. A. looks    | B. is looking   | C. has looked   | D. has been looking   |
| 8. A. finishes | B. is finishing | C. has finished | D. has been finishing |
| 9. A. passes   | B. is passing   | C. has passed   | D. has been passing   |
| 10. A. waits   | B. is waiting   | C. has waited   | D. has been waiting   |

### III Put the verbs in brackets in the correct present tense.

1. You cannot see to Harry because he **(have)** \_\_\_\_\_ an important meeting.
2. We **(not see)** \_\_\_\_\_ Mary lately.
3. Grandma **(go)** \_\_\_\_\_ to the seaside every summer.
4. I really hate that you **(always / phone)** \_\_\_\_\_ me at 7:00 in the morning.
5. I **(see)** \_\_\_\_\_ my doctor tomorrow.
6. The performance **(go)** \_\_\_\_\_ on for 2 hours.
7. Danielle **(visit)** \_\_\_\_\_ her grandparents these days.
8. Tina **(have)** \_\_\_\_\_ the same haircut since highschool.
9. This is the second time, James **(ever / break)** \_\_\_\_\_ the window.
10. Your English **(get)** \_\_\_\_\_ better and better.
11. Where are you? I **(call)** \_\_\_\_\_ you all morning.
12. Please let me know when she **(arrive)** \_\_\_\_\_ home tonight!
13. You look wonderful! **(you / loose)** \_\_\_\_\_ weight?
14. They are very tired because they **(dig)** \_\_\_\_\_ a hole all night!
15. Where **(you / be)** \_\_\_\_\_? I **(look)** \_\_\_\_\_ for you for 1 hour!
16. I **(not be)** \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema for ages!
17. This is the boy I **(tell)** \_\_\_\_\_ you about!
18. The show **(begin)** \_\_\_\_\_ in half an hour.
19. I **(begin)** \_\_\_\_\_ to get angry.
20. **(they / not eat)** \_\_\_\_\_ any cake?