

Present Simple and Present Continuous

A. Use the words in parentheses () to complete the conversations. Put the verbs in either the Present Simple or the Present Continuous.

1 **Anna:** Is the gymnasium open today?

Jessica: (No, the coaches / get / things ready for the basketball game.)

Anna: (How often / they / have / these games?)

Jessica: (They usually / play / once or twice a year.)

2 **Stan:** (Why / the coffee machine / not / work / at the moment?)

Camille: (I don't know, but a mechanic / repair / it.)

Stan: (How / the machine / work / in fact?) (it / make / good coffee?)

Camille: (Yes, it / make / all types of coffee.)

3 **Mathilde:** (Quiet! The students / take / their test in this classroom.)

Jean: (They / not / usually / take / tests on Monday mornings.)

Mathilde: (What subject / students / study this semester?)

(What majors / they / have / at this university?)

4 **Marion:** (Todd, what / you / look / for?)

Todd: (I / look / for / Jeannie's glasses.)

(She / not / often / wear / them.)

(She only / wear / them to read; she often / lose / them.)

5 **Arthur:** (What / Thomas / do / up on stage?)

Antoine: (He / sing / with his band.)

B. Complete this text about a party using the words in parentheses. Put the verbs in either the Present Simple or the Present Continuous.

Everybody _____ (talk) very loudly. Théo _____ (stand) near the DJ because he _____ (listen) to the music. “Who _____ (play) the saxophone in the music?” “It’s Mikaël Rolland. I _____ (think) he’s fantastic,” says Robert. “I _____ (like) the music, but I _____ (not understand) the lyrics very well,” says Judith. Later, Judith asks, “Are you thirsty, Théo? _____ you _____ (want) something to drink?” “Yes, a glass of cider, please,” says Théo, “I never _____ (drink) beer or whiskey.” Later, Judith _____ (ask) Théo, “_____ you _____ (like) dancing?” “Sometimes,” says Théo, It _____ (depend) on the music at the time that I’m dancing.” “Why aren’t you talking to Adam?” “Because he _____ (eat) pizza at the moment,” says Judith. “I thought he _____ (not like) cheese,” says Théo. “Look at that crazy girl dancing.” “Shhhhh! I _____ (listen) to this great song by Mika,” says Judith.

C. Complete this text using the words in parentheses. Put the verbs in either the Present Simple or the Present Continuous.

This is Mr. Sampson. He _____ (be) an English teacher at the university. He _____ (teach) B1 English at the Language Center this semester. Sometimes he _____ (teach) Writing and Literature and other types of classes. He _____ (live) in Normandy, but at the moment he _____ (stay) at his apartment in Paris. Mr. Sampson _____ (have) two dogs – a wiener dog and a Labrador. He _____ (speak) many languages, but he _____ (sound) funny when he _____ (speak) French. At the moment he _____ (speak) Japanese. Mr. Sampson _____ (come) from Texas! Look! He _____ (wear) cowboy boots. I’ve never had a teacher like him before! Sometimes he _____ (wear) his cowboy hat to class. I _____ (want) to take a selfie with him when he does! Sometimes he _____ (ride) a horse.

D. Complete these sentences using the words in parentheses. Put the verbs in either the Present Simple or the Present Continuous.

1. What’s the name of that book you _____ (read)?

2. The rose _____ (smell) good, and it is beautiful to look at.
3. Do you see that little girl over there? She _____ (smell) all the flowers.
4. We usually _____ (play) in an orchestra on the weekend.
5. The chef _____ (taste) the soup to see if it needs more salt.
6. He thinks that the soup _____ (taste) great!
7. Kattel is at the park today. She _____ (play) rugby with her friends.
8. Can you see who is at the door? I _____ (cook).
9. _____ (you know) who is teaching this class today?
10. It looks like that boy _____ (try) to break into that car.
11. I love that music that _____ (play) at the moment. It _____ (sound) great!
12. What _____ (you do)? At the moment I _____ (study) for my English test!
13. What is your opinion about today's menu? I _____ (think) that it looks great. I'm hungry.
14. What are you doing? I _____ (think) about how to improve my English listening skills.
15. I _____ (like) this new hamburger, but I _____ (not like) this restaurant.

E. Multiple Choice. Write the correct answer into the space.

1. You are very quiet. What _____ ?
a. do you thinking b. do you think c. are you thinking d. are you thinking
2. I'm sorry. _____ with you.
a. I'm not agreed b. I don't agree c. I'm not agreeing d. I don't agreeing
3. At the moment _____.
a. I don't like him. b. I'm not like him c. I'm not liking him d. I don't liking him.
4. I'm sorry, but I _____ your name at the moment.
a. 'm not remembering b. not remember c. don't remember d. don't remembering
5. Today they _____ for new clothes for school.
a. look b. are looking c. don't look d. looking
6. The teacher _____ that your answers are incorrect on this test.
a. knows b. does know c. is knowing d. know