

# Present simple, present continuous, past simple and past continuous

**Complete the sentences with the present simple, the present continuous, the past simple and the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (**you/like**) learning English?
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (**I/not understand**) this programme.
3. My dad \_\_\_\_\_ (**listen**) to classical music when I \_\_\_\_\_ (**arrive**) home from school.
4. Jim and his father \_\_\_\_\_ (**not watch**) TV. They're asleep.
5. Tony is upstairs in the bathroom. He \_\_\_\_\_ (**wash**) his hair.
6. My cousin \_\_\_\_\_ (**meet**) his wife, Bianca, while he \_\_\_\_\_ (**live**) in Italy.
7. Why \_\_\_\_\_ (**run**)? Are we late?
8. There are some strange noises in the sitting room. What \_\_\_\_\_ (**Tom/do**)?
9. What time \_\_\_\_\_ (**John/get up**) every day?
10. When we \_\_\_\_\_ (**leave**) school yesterday, it \_\_\_\_\_ (**pour**) with rain.
11. I \_\_\_\_\_ (**always/stay**) in the same hotel in New York.
12. Fred and I are good dancers but we \_\_\_\_\_ (**not/go**) to discos very often.
13. When \_\_\_\_\_ the lesson \_\_\_\_\_ (**start**)? It \_\_\_\_\_ (**begin**) five minutes ago.
14. What \_\_\_\_\_ Pam \_\_\_\_\_ (**do**)? She's a doctor.
15. I \_\_\_\_\_ (**leave**) home at 7:00 o'clock every morning.
16. Tony \_\_\_\_\_ (**not working**) at the moment, he's on holiday.
17. \_\_\_\_\_ the dogs \_\_\_\_\_ (**bark**) at midnight last night?
18. When you \_\_\_\_\_ (**see**) Paul, \_\_\_\_\_ he \_\_\_\_\_ (**wear**) a black jacket?

**Choose the correct option.**

1. I listened / was listening to the radio when I heard / was hearing this fantastic song.
2. Helen is wearing / wears blue jeans and a T-shirt today.
3. When the teacher said / was saying 'Stop!', I still tried / was still trying to finish the last question.
4. I feel really silly! While I danced / was dancing, I fell / was falling and broke / was breaking my elbow.
5. In summer we are going / go to the beach.
6. Tom and I watch / are watching a good film at the moment.
7. Tim played / was playing a computer game when his mum called / was calling him for lunch.
8. I looked / was looking for a file on my memory stick when I noticed / was noticing there was a virus.
9. It starts / is starting to rain, and we are waiting / wait for the bus in the open air.
10. Ron found / was finding a really interesting website about dance music while he surfed / was surfing the internet.
11. My mum had / was having breakfast near the computer when she spilled / was spilling her cup of coffee on the keyboard.
12. The football match finished / is finishing and the players are celebrating / celebrate their victory.
13. How many pictures did you take / were you taking while you travelled / were travelling around Ireland?
14. Why did you chat / were you chatting to Philip while I tried / was trying to tell you something really important?