

**26a Complete the sentences. Use the present simple of the verbs in brackets.**

- 0 Lorna ..... *often watches* ..... TV in the evening, but Alice ..... *usually reads* .....  
(often / watch, usually read)
- 1 I'm often tired. I ..... hard and I ..... very much.  
(work, not relax)
- 2 My mother ..... to the gym every day, but my father  
..... any exercise. (go, not do)
- 3 Sophia ..... in London, but she ..... the  
weekend in the country with her parents. (live, often / spend)
- 4 Jane and Richard ..... to concerts often, but they  
..... to music a lot at home. (not go, listen)
- 5 Angus ..... from Glasgow, but he ..... with a  
strong Scottish accent. (come, not speak)
- 6 We ..... to town. We ..... the train – it's quicker.  
(not drive, usually / catch)

**26b Complete the questions and short answers. Use the present simple of the verbs in brackets.**

- 0 A: *Do you usually get up* early? (you / usually / get up) B: No, *I don't* .....
- 1 A: ..... to university? (Tim / go) B: Yes, ..... .
- 2 A: ..... out every Sunday? (they / go) B: No, ..... .
- 3 A: ..... black? (Sue / always / wear) B: Yes, ..... .
- 4 A: ..... tennis every day? (you / play) B: No, ..... .
- 5 A: ..... near you? (they / live) B: Yes, ..... .
- 6 A: ..... from the USA? (she / come) B: No, ..... .

**26c Complete the interview. Use the present simple of the verbs in the box.**

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- A: Excuse me. I (0) ..... *work* ..... for the local council. Can I ask you about our  
services? First, (1) ..... you ..... by public transport often?
- B: No. My husband and I (2) ..... public transport at all. We  
(3) ..... everywhere. My daughter usually (4) ..... to school,  
but she sometimes (5) ..... the bus if the weather's bad.
- A: I see. Next, (6) ..... you ..... paper, plastic and glass?
- B: Yes, I (7) ..... everything in the containers at the supermarket.
- A: Good. Finally, (8) ..... you ..... books from the public library?
- B: No, never. We don't have time to read very much.

**27a Complete the sentences. Use the present continuous.**

- 0 My dad watches a lot of sport. This month he .....*'s watching*..... the Olympics.
- 1 You don't usually play well, but today you ..... brilliantly!
- 2 I usually read novels, but at the moment I ..... anything.
- 3 We usually have lunch at twelve, but today we ..... lunch at two.
- 4 He often works on Saturdays, but he ..... today. He's at home.
- 5 They don't often save money, but at the moment they ..... to buy a car.
- 6 She usually runs a marathon every year, but this year she ..... any.

**27b Complete the conversations. Use the present continuous of the verbs in brackets.**

- 0 A: .....*Is Donna speaking*..... Italian to that man? (Donna / speak)  
B: Yes, she .....*is*..... She .....*'s learning*..... it at night school. (learn)
- 1 A: ..... the party? (you / enjoy)  
B: Yes, we ..... We ..... a great time. (have)
- 2 A: What ..... here? (you / do)  
B: I ..... for some friends. (wait)
- 3 A: ..... her computer? (Holly / use)  
B: No, she ..... She ..... any work today. (not do)
- 4 A: ..... the news at the moment? (they / watch)  
B: No, they ..... They ..... dinner. (prepare)

**27c Complete the phone conversation. Use the present continuous of the verbs in brackets.**

- A: How (0) .....*'s the holiday going*..... (the holiday / go)?  
B: We (1) ..... (have) a great time! I  
(2) ..... (learn) to windsurf.  
A: Wow! (3) ..... (Gary / take) lessons too?  
B: No, he (4) ..... He (5) ..... (not do) anything except  
relaxing on the beach and sleeping.  
A: (6) ..... (you / get) very brown?  
B: Yes, we (7) ..... And you? (8) ..... (you / enjoy)  
your holiday?  
A: No, I (9) ..... It's cloudy and cold, but at least it  
(10) ..... (not rain) today.  
B: Oh dear! Listen, I must go now. I'll see you next week. Bye!

**28a Circle the correct answer.**

- 0 Why do you wear / (are you wearing) a coat? It's hot today.
- 1 Do tigers live / Are tigers living in Africa?
- 2 We have / 're having a big party in the garden every summer.
- 3 I don't eat / 'm not eating a lot of chocolate because it's bad for you.
- 4 Listen, I think someone calls / 's calling us.
- 5 This month they make / 're making a new film starring Johnny Depp.
- 6 She usually goes / is going to see her cousins once a month.
- 7 Martha cooks / 's cooking lunch at the moment.
- 8 Film stars usually buy / are usually buying their clothes at expensive shops.



**28b Complete the conversation. Use the present simple or present continuous of the verbs in brackets.**

- Lisa:** Polly! What a surprise! What (0) ..... are you doing ..... (you / do) here in York?
- Polly:** Hi, Lisa! I (1) ..... (buy) a new guitar. Do you remember the band I'm in? Well, we (2) ..... (play) at the Sports Club in Hathern every Saturday night.
- Lisa:** Great! That's fantastic!
- Polly:** Yes. What about you? What (3) ..... (you / do) these days?
- Lisa:** I (4) ..... (still / study) architecture – this is my final year. At the moment I (5) ..... (work) in an architect's office to get some work experience. Listen, I sometimes (6) ..... (go) home to Hathern at the weekend. Can I come and listen to you and your group?
- Polly:** Of course! There's a great atmosphere at the club! Everyone knows the songs and people (7) ..... (dance) too. We usually (8) ..... (start) playing at eight o'clock.
- Lisa:** I'll definitely see you soon, then, Polly!