

GRAMMAR PRACTICE

2.1 present simple and continuous

1 Put the words in the correct order to make a conversation.

A: Sam / working / at / the moment / not / is

B: looking / job / a / for / he / is?

A: find / to / in / trying / is / he / work / travel industry / the / yes,

B: speaks / languages / three / he

A: likes / with / dealing / he / people / difficult

B: he / does / well / work / under pressure?

A: great / deadlines / isn't / he / with

B: colleagues / his / do / well / get on / him / with?

A: popular / is / he / very / a / his / member / of / team / yes,

B: looking / am / I / for / assistant / him / ask / so / call / me / to / an

2 Underline the correct alternative.

- 1 We *are hiring/hire* new people at the moment.
- 2 The employees *are choosing/choose* their own work hours.
- 3 We *are having/have* great relationships with our customers.
- 4 We *are expanding/expand* into different cities.
- 5 Many companies *are offering/offer* low salaries.
- 6 The employees *are working/work* from home on Fridays.
- 7 *Does the boss get on with/Is the boss getting on with* her staff right now?
- 8 We're *taking/We take* our final exams at the moment.

3 Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form. Use the present simple or present continuous.

Sam ¹ _____ (look for) his first job. He ² _____ (buy) the paper every day, ³ _____ (look for) jobs and ⁴ _____ (write) to everyone he can think of. He generally ⁵ _____ (do) well at interview because he ⁶ _____ (be) quite confident and friendly and ⁷ _____ (get on) well with people, but he ⁸ _____ (find) it difficult to get an interview at all. He ⁹ _____ (want) to work in travel because he ¹⁰ _____ (like) change and variety and he ¹¹ _____ (not want) a desk job.

2.2 adverbs of frequency

1 Match the words with the percentages.

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| 1 rarely | a) 100% |
| 2 usually | b) 0% |
| 3 never | c) 50% |
| 4 always | d) 80% |
| 5 sometimes | e) 10% |

2 One sentence in each pair is correct. Circle the correct sentence, a) or b).

- 1 a) We never go to the theatre.
b) Never we go to the theatre.
- 2 a) I am late for usually school.
b) I am usually late for school.
- 3 a) They call me late at night always.
b) They always call me late at night.
- 4 a) She rarely eats red meat.
b) She eats rarely red meat.
- 5 a) He never has problems with customers.
b) He has problems with customers never.

