Grammar

1 Complete the short dialogues with the correct present simple or present continuous form of the verbs given.

1 A: What are you doing this afternoon? Would you like to come swimming with me?
B: Sorry, I ..... (have) art club on Wednesdays and then homework to do. Maybe later.

2 A: How's it going? Do you like your new school?
B: Yes, I ..... (have) a great time. The classes are really interesting and my social life is fantastic.

3 A: You look annoyed. What's wrong?
B: I need my course book for my revision but Jack has got it. He ..... (always / borrow) my books and he never gives them back.

4 A: Where have you been?
B: I went to see my teacher. I've been having problems with my homework but it's OK – I ..... (understand) it now.

5 A: I feel tired but I can't stop working. I have to hand this assignment in tomorrow.
B: People always ..... (make) that mistake. You should have a break then you'll finish it more quickly.

2 Complete the text with the correct present perfect simple or continuous form of the verbs given.

Alison (1) ..... (study) in the library all afternoon but she needs to do some exercise so she's going to the sports centre. She (2) ..... (be) a member of the basketball team since she started at her new school and she does fitness training most afternoons. She (3) ..... (not finish) her maths project yet so she'll probably do some more reading before going out in the evening. One of her friends is in the drama club and he's in a play this week. He (4) ..... (act) since the beginning of secondary school and he's very good. This is the last night of the play and the students (5) ..... (already/perform) the play six times this week. Alison is sure that this final performance will be the best.

3 Complete the text with the correct form of these verbs.

apply • decide • design • learn • study

My sister has been at university for six months and she loves it. She is going to be an architect one day, but it's a long course. (1) ..... buildings takes many years of training. I'm thinking of (2) ..... to university when I'm older, but I'm not sure what I want (3) ..... yet. History is one of my favourite subjects and I really enjoy (4) ..... about the past but I'm also good at art so maybe I'll go to art school instead. My mum says my sister was just like me at my age, but in the end she found it easy (5) ..... . I hope I will too.

*** Complete the email with one word in each gap.**

Hi Liam,
How are your exams going? I've only got two left. I'm (1) ..... some revision at the moment. I've (2) ..... working really hard because I don't want to have to resit any of them. The really difficult thing is finding time (3) ..... do exercise and all my usual chores. I think I've only been to the sports centre twice (4) ..... the exams began! I need some exercise! Do you want to go cycling at the weekend?
Anyway, back to work. I'm (5) ..... wasting time on emails and it won't help me pass!
See you soon,
Oliver

Vocabulary

5 Complete the email with these words and phrases. There are two extra options.

continuous assessment • extracurricular activities facilities • grade • lectures • term • tutor

Hi Jan,
How's it going? Are you enjoying uni?
I really like my course now. It was difficult at first and I wasn't sure how to organise my study time but I've got a really nice (1) ..... and she's helped me a lot. We have a lot of coursework to do this (2) ..... . We have exams at the end of the year but there is (3) ..... , too, so I have to work hard all the time to get good marks. I'm doing lots of (4) ..... as well – playing hockey, singing in the choir, working on the student paper – and then there are all the social events. Sometimes it's hard to get up for (5) ..... at nine o'clock!
Write soon and tell me how you're getting on.
Sarah

6 Complete the text with the correct form of the words given.

My university is about two hundred miles from my home town so I live in a hall of (1) ..... (reside). I was a bit worried about living with so many students at first but it's great fun and I've made lots of new friends. I like being more (2) ..... (depend) too, but I'm not good at cooking so it's good to be able to get hot food when I need it. One problem is the noise. I've got exams soon and sometimes it's really (3) ..... (annoy). And having lots of people around can be a bit of a (4) ..... (distract). But we talked about how to prepare for the exams in my last (5) ..... (tutor) so I think I'll be OK. Everyone is going through the same thing so we can all help each other.

7 Complete the text with the correct form of *do* or *make* and these words.

coursework • dinner • progress • sport suggestions

Tom has got an exam next week. He feels that he hasn't (1) ..... much ..... since the last one but I told him not to worry. He usually gets really good marks and he's (2) ..... very well with his ..... . He's been spending a lot of time revising so I advised him to try (3) ..... some ..... or something to help him relax. Kerry also (4) ..... some good ..... to help him with his revision so I think he'll be OK. And we're going to help out by (5) ..... the ..... tonight. We'll all watch a DVD together afterwards, which should take his mind off things.

8 Choose the best answer (A, B or C) to complete the text.

My brother has just (1) ..... in marine biology and my parents are very proud. He isn't sure what he wants to do next, but he's thinking of doing a (2) ..... . My parents think he should wait for a while before deciding. He has already got one student (3) ..... to pay back and they'd like him to get a job. He got a very good (4) ..... , so he says he might be able to get funding to study (5) ..... and he really wants to go to Australia. I hope he does because then I can go and visit him there!

1	**A** lectured	**B** graduated	**C** failed
2	**A** master's	**B** course	**C** resit
3	**A** facilities	**B** term	**C** loan
4	**A** degree	**B** notes	**C** tutor
5	**A** assignment	**B** abroad	**C** undergraduate

LIVEWORKSHEETS