

## GRAMMAR

### Present Simple and Present Continuous

- **Present Simple**

Facts, habits and routines

*I usually have breakfast at lunchtime.*

- **Present Continuous**

Things happening at the moment of speaking

*We are walking up a mountain.*

Things happening around now but maybe not at the moment of speaking.

*This week my parents are doing some work on the house.*

 **LIVEWORKSHEETS**

1 ● Decide if the verbs in the sentences show facts (F), a routine (R), something happening during a period of time (P), or something happening right now (N).

- 1  F My mum works in a hospital.
- 2  She always gets up at 6.30 and takes a taxi to work.
- 3  Today she isn't feeling very well, so she's staying at home.
- 4  At the moment she's sitting in bed and sending some emails.
- 5  She has friends in lots of different countries.
- 6  She's working with a new team of doctors this week.
- 7  She usually finishes work at 6.00.
- 8  Oh dear – the phone is ringing. Perhaps it's the hospital.

**2** ● Complete the sentences with the correct present forms of the underlined verbs.

- 1 I usually have cereal for breakfast. Today, I *m having* eggs and toast.
- 2 Mariah doesn't always come to extra Maths classes after school. She \_\_\_\_\_ this week because her marks are getting worse!
- 3 It always \_\_\_\_\_ when I'm on holiday and look – it's *raining* now!
- 4 I know you often play tennis. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ this week?
- 5 My friend \_\_\_\_\_ to school again – she *walks* to school every morning.
- 6 My brother usually watches game shows, but tonight he \_\_\_\_\_ a soap opera.

### 3 Match the sentence halves.

- 1  Cathy doesn't usually go to bed late,
- 2  She really enjoys soap operas,
- 3  She knows a lot of languages,
- 4  She usually goes on holiday to Spain,
- 5  She sometimes plays the guitar in a band,
- 6  She doesn't often go out during the week,

  

- a but she hates game shows.
- b but she's staying in London this summer.
- c ~~but she's reading now and it's midnight!~~
- d but this week she's playing the drums.
- e but she's watching a film at the cinema now.
- f but she doesn't speak Italian.