

EXERCISES - SIMPLE PRESENT vs PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Part A. Observe the pictures. Use the words in parentheses in the correct form **Present Simple** or **Present Continuous** and complete the sentences.

1 Please be quiet.
I'm **working**. (I/work)



2 (you/often/go) to the cinema?



3 What (you/cook)?



4 Jack (play) the piano very well.



5 (I/go) now. Goodbye!



6 (it/rain). Can I take this umbrella?



7 (I/not/watch) TV very much.



8 Excuse me, (we/look) for the museum.



Picture No. 1 → **am working**.

Picture No. 5 → _____

Picture No. 2 → _____

Picture No. 6 → _____

Picture No. 3 → _____

Picture No. 7 → _____

Picture No. 4 → _____

Picture No. 8 → _____

Part B. Actions in progress or routines?

Instructions: In each sentence, select the correct phrase.

1. A: ***Are you speaking / Do you speak*** English? B: Yes, a little.
2. Sometimes ***we're going / we go away*** at weekends.
3. It's a nice day today. The sun ***is shining / shines***.
4. Hi, Kate. It's 9 o'clock. Where ***are you going/do you go*** ?
5. How often ***are you going / do you go*** on holiday?
6. Emily is a writer. ***She's writing / She writes*** books for children.
7. ***I'm never reading/I never read*** newspapers.
8. A: Where are Michael and Jane? B: ***They are watching/They watch*** TV in the living room.
9. Helen is in her office. ***She's talking / She talks*** to somebody.
10. What time ***are you usually having / do you usually have*** dinner?
11. John isn't at home at the moment. ***He's visiting / He visits*** some friends.
12. A: Do you prefer coffee or tea? B: Coffee. ***I'm not drinking / I don't drink*** tea.

Part C. Complete the phrases. Write ***am - is - are - do - don't - does - doesn't***

1. Excuse me, _____ you speak English?
2. "Where's Kate" "I _____ know."
3. What's funny? Why _____ you laughing?
4. "What _____ your sister do?" "She's a dentist."
5. It _____ raining. I _____ want to go out in the rain.
6. "Where _____ come from? "Canada"
7. How much _____ it cost to send a letter to Spain?
8. Steve is a good tennis player, but he _____ play very often.