

Unit 1: Connected

Lesson 2: Grammar: Simple and continuous tense review

C/ Complete the text with the correct form of the verb in brackets

Now Clay Shirky 1. _____ (be) a writer, consultant and teacher on the social and economic effects of the internet. Before this, he 2. _____ (run) a theatre company in New York for several years. While he 3. _____ (work) there, he 4. _____ (become) interested in technology.

At the moment he 5. _____ (research) the effect of social networking on friendships. He is particularly interested in the difference between weak and strong 'ties' in his studies. Strong ties 6. _____ (refer) to your relationships with your best friends, and weak ties refer to people you 7. _____ (not know) so well.

He 8. _____ (believe) that hundreds of weak ties in your social networks 9. _____ (affect) the quality of your strong ties, and your relationships with these people 10. _____ (not be) as good.