


Worksheet: Life in the City and on the Farm

 Reading & Grammar | Present Simple vs Present Continuous
 Phrasal verbs · Advice · Creative mind map

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PART 1 · DISCOVER THE TOPIC

Two Different Worlds

Read the diary entries from Annabel and Sarah. They are swapping lives for a week.

Annabel (from the farm in Scotland)

Day 2: Everyone stays in bed late here. It's 8 am and Annabel's mum is making breakfast! In the afternoon, we're going shopping on Oxford Street and then we're going to the cinema! I'm so excited!

Sarah (from London)

Day 2: Everyone gets up at 5 am because there's a lot to do on the farm. Sarah's mum is very nice. She brings me a cup of tea in bed, but I just go back to sleep.

Day 4: Sarah's mum takes me to school every morning. We drive five

Day 4: I travel to Annabel's school by tube. Her school is huge with 1,500 students and her friends are very interesting and helpful.

Day 6: I'm feeling a bit tired. It's always noisy here and you can hear the traffic all night. I miss the beautiful landscapes and the people from my hometown.

miles to meet the school bus, which leaves at 7 am. Sarah's school is very small, but everyone's so friendly.

Day 6: I'm happy I'm going home tomorrow. The fresh air is nice but it's too quiet here. I feel isolated. I miss the hustle and bustle of London.

New Vocabulary: Match the words with their meanings

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| 1. isolated | A) the noise and activity of a busy city |
| 2. hustle and bustle | B) feeling alone or separated from others |
| 3. landscapes | C) natural scenery, like mountains or fields |
| 4. facilities | D) buildings, equipment, or services provided for a purpose (e.g., a swimming pool) |

Your answers: 1 ____ 2 ____ 3 ____ 4 ____

Grammar Discovery: Present Simple vs Present Continuous

Present Simple

- Habits & routines: *I always love hearing from you.*
- Timetables / schedules: *My lessons start at 8:30.*
- Facts & states: *I think it's a good idea.*

Present Continuous

- Actions happening now: *I am studying really hard.*
- Future arrangements: *I am meeting my friends tonight.*
- Temporary situations: *I am working in a library for the next few months.*

 **Find examples in Annabel & Sarah's diaries above. Write them here:**

Present Simple

e.g., Sarah's mum takes me to school...

Present Continuous

e.g., we're going shopping...



PART 2 · PRACTICE

Task 1: Choose the correct tense

Circle the correct verb form in each sentence.

1. Sarah usually **gets / is getting** up at 5 am on the farm.
2. Right now, Annabel **travels / is travelling** to school by tube.
3. The school bus **leaves / is leaving** at 7 am every morning.
4. "Why **do you look / are you looking** so tired?" "I **don't sleep / 'm not sleeping** well in the city."
5. Tonight, Sarah and Annabel **go / are going** to the cinema together.

Task 2: Complete the email

Complete Jim's email with the correct form of the verbs in brackets (Present Simple or Present Continuous).

Hi Steve,

Thanks for your email. I always _____ (love) hearing from you.

At the moment, I _____ (study) really hard. I _____ (sit) my exams next week. My lessons _____ (start) at 8:30. After school, I usually _____ (go) to my part-time job. I _____ (work) in a library for the next few months.

Tonight, I _____ (meet) my friends. We _____ (go) to a new café.

Write again soon!

Jim

Write your answers here (e.g., 1. love, 2. am studying ...) or fill in above mentally.



PART 3 · CREATIVE TASK

Task 3: Create a Mind Map — Free Time Activities

Add at least 5 activities in each category. Use ideas from the textbook and your own.

 **On a warm day**


1. hang out at the shopping centre

2. your idea

3. your idea

4. your idea

5. your idea

 **On a rainy day**

1. read a book

2. your idea

3. your idea

4. your idea

5. your idea

 **On a hot day**

1. go sunbathing

2. your idea

3. your idea

4. your idea

5. your idea

 **Indoors**

1. play computer games

2. your idea

3. your idea

4. your idea

5. your idea

 **PART 4 · CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE**

A. Complete the sentences with should or shouldn't.

1. You _____ look through the peephole before opening the door.

2. You _____ leave your bag in the car where people can see it.

3. If a burglar breaks in, you _____ run after them. Call the police instead.

B. Choose the correct option.

1. I _____ about moving to a new city.
a) think b) am thinking c) thinks

2. The train _____ at 6 pm every evening.
a) leaves b) is leaving c) leave

3. "Why _____ so much noise?" "Sorry, I _____ to fix my bike."
a) do you make / try b) are you making / am trying c) is you making / tries

4. My sister _____ my clothes! It's so annoying.
a) always takes b) is always taking c) take always

C. Match the phrasal verbs with their meanings.

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| 1. run into _____ | A) have no more of something |
| 2. run out of _____ | B) chase |
| 3. run after _____ | C) meet by chance |



PART 5 · HOMEWORK

Task: Write an Email

Portfolio Task

Imagine you are **Sarah** (the girl from London who is staying on the farm) or **Annabel** (the girl from the farm who is staying in London). Write an email to your English penfriend.

Include: where you are living at the moment, what you usually do every day (Present Simple), what you are doing these days / tonight (Present Continuous), and how you feel about your new lifestyle.

✉ Your email:

Hi _____,

Thanks for your email. It was great to hear from you!

Right now, I'm living _____

Usually, I _____

But these days, I _____

Tonight, I _____

I feel _____

Write back soon!

Write your full email here...

Worksheet based on authentic materials · Grammar & real-life contexts · City life & farm life comparison