

GRAMMAR DISCOVERY WORKSHEET

Present Simple vs. Present Continuous

Name: _____ Group: _____

Read the sentences carefully.

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| 1. Mrs Lam usually does the cooking in her family. |
| 2. At the moment, she is watching her favourite TV programme. |
| 3. Her husband often helps her with the housework. |
| 4. Today, he is preparing dinner for the family. |

1. Which sentences describe habits or regular activities?

A.	Sentences 1 and 2
B.	Sentences 1 and 3
C.	Sentences 2 and 4
D.	Sentences 3 and 4

2. Which sentences describe actions happening now or around the present time?

A.	Sentences 1 and 2
B.	Sentences 1 and 3
C.	Sentences 2 and 4
D.	Sentences 3 and 4

3. What time expressions are used in sentences 1 and 3?

A.	now, today
B.	usually, often
C.	at the moment, today
D.	every day, now

4. What time expressions are used in sentences 2 and 4?

A.	usually, often
B.	every day, often
C.	at the moment, today
D.	always, usually

5. Look at the verbs in sentences 1 and 3. What do you notice about their forms?

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6. Look at the verbs in sentences 2 and 4. What do you notice about their forms?

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What can you discover?

Tense	Use	Form
Present Simple		
Present Continuous		

Work with your group and discuss your answers.