

PRESENT SIMPLE OR CONTINUOUS?

Complete the sentences using the verbs in the correct form.

Affirmative

1. ride	1. Look! Tom _____ his bike over there.
2. read	2. Nora _____ a lot of books every week.
3. write	3. Alec _____ a test right now.
4. draw	4. Pam often _____ funny animals at school.
5. run	5. The boys _____ in the yard at the moment.
6. come	6. We always _____ to school in time.
7. watch	7. I _____ a very interesting film now.
8. make	8. You often _____ a lot of mistakes.
9. listen	9. We _____ to the classical music now.
10. send	10. Paul never _____ SMS to his friends.

Negative

11. water	11. I _____ (not) the flowers at the moment.
12. call	12. Tim _____ (not) his friends every day.
13. play	13. They _____ (not) football now.
14. go	14. Anna _____ (not) to the zoo every day.
15. help	15. We _____ (not) Andrew at the moment.
16. know	16. You _____ (not) this rule today.
17. buy	17. Liz _____ (not) food at present.
18. learn	18. He _____ (not) German right now.
19. meet	19. I _____ (not) Lesley every day.
20. eat	20. Tina _____ (not) cookies at the moment.

Interrogative

21. receive	21. _____ you _____ your e-mail now?
22. lose	22. _____ Ben _____ his pens every day?
23. stand	23. _____ they _____ in the corridor now?
24. wear	24. _____ Kate _____ a nice dress today?
25. sing	25. _____ you _____ a new song right now?
26. drive	26. _____ she _____ her car to work today?
27. eat	27. _____ they _____ a cake at the moment?
28. get	28. _____ Tina _____ a lot of SMS today?
29. ski	29. _____ he _____ in the park at present?
30. feed	30. _____ you _____ your pet every day?
31. drink	31. _____ Nick _____ coffee right now?

A Context listening

A1 Look at the pictures. What are these places?

A2 **4** You are going to hear a tour guide talking to some tourists in a coach. She is telling them about places they can see in a city.

Listen and tick the places in A1 which they see.

A3 **4** Listen again and complete the sentences below.

- 1 Our tours usually last about one hour.
- 2 The bus into Queens Road.
- 3 We the City Theatre.
- 4 This Cititour bus along the High Street into the market place.
- 5 At the moment some musicians for an outdoor concert there.

A4 Look at your answers to A3 and answer these questions.

- 1 Which sentences contain the present simple?
- 2 Which sentences contain the present continuous?
- 3 Which sentences tell you about what usually happens?
- 4 Which sentences tell you only about now?

Here is part of a student's letter to a penfriend. Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the present simple or continuous.

Dear Pari

1 I'm (I/be) a university student. As it's holiday time now, 2 (I/work) in a hotel. At the end of every term 3 (I/come) back to my home town and 4 (I/get) a job in this hotel to earn money.

5 This summer (I/share) a room in the hotel with another girl.

6 (It/not be) as comfortable as my parents' house, but 7 (I/prefer) it, because 8 (I/not want) to travel home late at night. So this year 9 (I/save) more money and 10 (I/get) more sleep.

