

# Language focus 1

## Present continuous

### 1 ★★ Circle the correct words in the grammar table.

- 1 She's looking / looking at boots in the shoe shop.
- 2 They not buying / aren't buying those T-shirts.
- 3 Are you coming / You are coming with us?
- 4 Yes, I'm / I am.  
No, we aren't / isn't.
- 5 To talk about facts, habits and routines, use the present simple / continuous.
- 6 To talk about an action in progress, use the present simple / continuous.

3 ★★ Complete the questions and short answers with the correct form of the present continuous. Use the words in the box.

you sell we have he looks  
you spend they buy Lisa waits

- 1 Is he looking for a book in English?  
Yes, he is.
- 2 Are they buying your old video games?  
Yes, \_\_\_\_\_, for €5 each.
- 3 Is he buying that CD?  
No, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 Is he having lunch now?  
No, \_\_\_\_\_, just a drink.
- 5 Is she buying in the cafe?  
No, \_\_\_\_\_.  
She's late.
- 6 Is it costing £20 on a T-shirt?  
Yes, \_\_\_\_\_.  
It's a present.

### 2 ★★ Complete the conversations with the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- Joe: Hi Bob. We're <sup>1</sup> meeting (meet) outside the shopping centre. Where are you?  
Bob: I <sup>2</sup> am sitting (sit) on the bus. Where are you?  
Joe: Outside the shopping centre. Ian and I <sup>3</sup> are waiting (wait) for you now.  
Bob: OK. There's a lot of traffic. The bus <sup>4</sup> isn't going (not go) very fast.  
Joe: Well, we <sup>5</sup> haven't stayed (not stay) here a long time. It's cold! Where's the bus now?  
Bob: It <sup>6</sup> is coming (come) into Mill Street, so see you in two minutes.

## Present simple vs. continuous

### 4 ★★ Circle the correct words in the text.

My sister and I <sup>1</sup> try / are trying an experiment at the moment – no shopping for a month! Usually Mum <sup>2</sup> gives / is giving me pocket money on Saturday and my friends and I <sup>3</sup> go / are going shopping in the afternoon, but this Saturday is different. My friends <sup>4</sup> shop / are shopping for clothes and things but I <sup>5</sup> write / am writing this blog at home. Why? Well, I <sup>6</sup> have / am having a lot of things that I never <sup>7</sup> wear / am wearing. This month my sister Jane and I <sup>8</sup> put / are putting our pocket money in our money boxes for our holidays, and we <sup>9</sup> do / are doing lots of other things. Shopping all the time is boring!



5 ★★ Write the questions in the present simple or present continuous and answer them for you.

1 What <sup>1</sup> I wear <sup>2</sup> at the moment?

What are you wearing at the moment?

I'm wearing ...

2 you <sup>1</sup> reading <sup>2</sup> a good book <sup>3</sup> at the moment?

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3 Where <sup>1</sup> usually <sup>2</sup> buy your clothes?

\_\_\_\_\_

4 you <sup>1</sup> listen to music? What <sup>2</sup> you <sup>3</sup> listen to?

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## Explore extreme adjectives

### 6 ★★ Complete the definitions with the adjectives in the box.

huge great wonderful amazing  
brilliant boiling awful freezing

- 1 When something is very good we say it's great, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 When it's very hot, we say it's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 When something is very big, we say it's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 When it's very cold, we say it's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 When something is very bad, we say it's \_\_\_\_\_.

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