5C present simple or present continuous?

present simple	present continuous ①5.20		
It always snows here in winter.	Look! It's snowing.		
What do you usually do at work? My sister works in a bank.	What are you doing now? Today she's working at home.		

What do you do? or What are you doing?

- A What do you do? (= What's your job?)
- B I'm a teacher.
- A What are you doing? (= now, at the moment)
- B I'm waiting for a friend.

- · We use the present simple to say what we usually do, or things that are normally true.
- · We often use the present simple with adverbs and expressions of frequency, e.g. always, often, once a week,
- · We use the present continuous to say what is happening now or around now.
- · We often use the present continuous with at the moment, today, this week.

BLIVEWORKSHEETS

5C

- a Circle the correct form.
 - A What do you cook / are you cooking? I'm really hungry.
 - **B** Spaghetti. We can eat in ten minutes.
 - 1 A Hello. Is Martin at home?
 - B No, he isn't. He plays / He's playing football with his
 - 2 A Do your parents live / Are your parents living near here?
 - B Yes. They have / are having a flat in the same building as me.
 - 3 A How often do you go / are you going to the hairdresser's?
 - B About once a month. When my hair needs / is needing a cut.
 - 4 A Don't make a noise! Your father sleeps / is sleeping!
 - B Is he OK? He doesn't usually sleep / isn't usually sleeping in the afternoon.

b Put the verbs in the present simple or continuous.

		ook. It <u>'s raining</u> . (ra			
1	Α	Hi, Sarah! What	you	here?	(do)
	В	1	for a friend	l. (wait)	
2	A	Let's have lunch hamburgers? (like)		ou	
	В	No, sorry. I'm a veg meat. (not eat)	getarian. I		
	A	Listen! The neight a party again. (hav			
	В	They(have)	a party eve	ry weekend!	
4	A	What	your boyfriend	?	(do)
		He's a teacher. He school. (work)			



GRAMMAR present simple or present continuous?

Put the verbs in the present simple or present continuous. Use contractions where possible.

1	^	W/L	10	^	Why ¹⁴ you? (cry)		
1	A	What <u>are</u> you <u>doing?</u> (do)	10				
	В	I <u>'m checking</u> my emails. (check)		В	Because I ¹⁵ a very sad film. (watch)		
2	Α	What ¹ you of			50.00 S. C.		
		your new phone? (think)	11	Α	Why ¹⁶ the train? (stop)		
	В	It's great! It 2 really		-			
		good photos. (take)		В	Because this is the slow train. It at every station.		
3	Α	What's that music?			(stop)		
	В	My neighbours ³ a	12	Α	When 18 you usually		
		party. (have)	12	^	your friends? (see)		
4	Α	Where ⁴ you? (go)		В	On Friday night. We always		
- 50	В	To my parents' house for lunch. We usually			19 after work. (meet)		
		5 there for lunch on	12	Α	What time ²⁰ you usually		
		Sundays. (go)	15	^	work? (finish)		
5	Α	Hi, Nora! What 6 you		В	About 6.00, but I ²¹		
		here? (do)			late this evening. (work)		
	В	I ⁷ for a friend. (wait)	14	Δ	What ²² you for?		
6	Α	Where's Simon?	0.70	•	(look)		
ľ	В	In the bathroom. He ⁸		В	My car keys! I always 23		
		a shower. (have)			them in my bag, but they aren't there		
_					now. (put)		
7		What's the answer to number five?	15	Α	How often ²⁴ you		
	В	Sh! I ⁹ to the teacher. (listen)			exercise? (do)		
				В	I ²⁵ in the sea every		
8	Α	10 you a uniform			morning. (swim)		
		for work? (wear)	16	Α	Be quiet! Your mum ²⁶		
	В	Yes. I ¹¹ it. It's horrible. (not like)			to watch a film on TV. (try)		
				В	Sorry! She hardly ever		
9	Α	Look! It ¹² (rain)			TV in the afternoon. (watch)		
	В	Again? It ¹³ a lot here.					
		(rain)			27		
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		21–27 Excellent. You understand the differen	ce be	etwe	en the present continuous and the		
	present simple.						
	- 4	15–20 Quite good, but check the rules in the Grammar Bank (Student's Book p.132) and look					
	1	at the exercise again.					
		0–14 This is difficult for you. Read the rules in the Grammar Bank (Student's Book p.132).					
	Then ask your teacher for another photocopy and do the exercise again at home.						

ACTIVATION

Work with a partner. Talk about two things you do every day, and two things you're doing at the moment.