

2 Complete the dialogue with the phrases below. More than one answer may be possible.

can't stand hate don't mind quite like really keen love
terrible isn't bad is great

Kim So, are you excited about the start of school?

Dave No, I'm not really excited. I ¹ _____ school,
but it's not my favourite thing in the world.

Kim We're very different. I ² _____ school! I really
enjoy learning new things. What subjects do you like?

Dave I ³ _____ IT, because I'm interested in
computers. And there's one subject I really enjoy –
drama. I'm ⁴ _____ on drama. I think acting
⁵ _____.

Kim Really? We're very different that way too.
I ⁶ _____ drama. I just get too scared in
front of people. What do you think of maths?

Dave I really don't like it. Actually, I ⁷ _____ maths!
I just can't understand it. It's ⁸ _____!

Kim Different again! I like maths, and I enjoy science a lot
too.

Dave OK, science ⁹ _____. It's actually kind of
interesting.

Kim Well, I'm happy we agree on something ...

- 3 Read definitions 1–9 and match them with the activities below.



cycling volleyball chess ice hockey board games
basketball swimming drawing video games

- 1 a game where you bounce a ball and try to throw it through a hoop _____
- 2 making pictures with a pencil or pen _____
- 3 exercising in water _____
- 4 a game with 32 pieces on a board, including a king and queen _____
- 5 games with pieces that you play on a table _____
- 6 games you play on a computer or TV screen _____
- 7 riding a bike _____
- 8 a game you play on ice with a long stick _____
- 9 a game where you hit a ball with your hands over a high net

1 Complete the dialogues with the correct present simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 A: _____ (you / go) to the gym every day?
B: No, I _____ (not go) every day.
I _____ (go) three times a week.
- 2 A: _____ (Sam / study) at your school?
B: No, he _____ (not study) there. He
_____ (study) at a private school.
- 3 A: Does your mother _____ (teach) English?
B: Yes, she does. She also _____ (teach) French
and Spanish. She _____ (be) very good at
languages.
- 4 A: _____ (your parents / work) in London?
B: No, they don't. They both _____ (work) in
Oxford.
- 5 A: _____ (you / practise) much before you
perform a new play?
B: Yes, we _____ (practise) for weeks
before the first performance, and the director
_____ (make) a lot of changes.

2 Complete the voice message with the correct present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

Hi Steve! It's Sean. How are things? I hope you are well. ¹ _____ (you / have) a good time in Hull? I ² _____ (call) from my grandparents' house in Cornwall. My sister and I ³ _____ (stay) here for a couple of weeks, and we ⁴ _____ (enjoy) it a lot. I ⁵ _____ (plan) to study for my exams later, but now I ⁶ _____ (relax). I'm not totally lazy, though - I ⁷ _____ (run) every morning. Jake and I ⁸ _____ (think) about spending a month in Spain. Would you like to go with us? Let me know! Well, the sun ⁹ _____ (shine) so I think I'll go for a walk. Bye!

3 Match sentences a–f with the uses of the present tense (1–6).

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| 1 something that happens regularly | ☐ |
| 2 verbs not used in continuous tenses | ☐ |
| 3 something happening at this moment | ☐ |
| 4 stating a fact or law | ☐ |
| 5 something happening around this time | ☐ |
| 6 a future plan | ☐ |

- a I am leaving for London at 6 a.m. tomorrow.
b The Earth goes around the sun.
c I always play basketball on Saturdays.
d They are spending a lot of time together these days.
e I need some help with homework.
f Look outside – it's snowing!