

UNIT 1 - GRAMMAR 1

PRESENT TENSES



1. Select the correct answer

1. The bakery in town _ fresh bread every day.

bakes

is baking

2. That camera _ to me. It's my sister's.

is not belonging

doesn't belong

3. The concert _ at 8 pm and we don't want to be late.

starting

starts

4. It's 9 pm. Why _ shopping now?

are you going

do you go

5. Where _ lunch today? Can we meet?

are you having

do you have

2. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs given. Use the Present Simple or the Present Continuous.

1. The garatge _____ (fix) my car, so I have to take the bus.

2. _____ this colour _____ (look) OK for the bathroom walls?

3. Leo _____ (speak) French well and _____ (not make) many mistakes.

4. Adam _____ (be) so clumsy. He _____ (always/break) things.

5. I _____ (throw away) the cheese because it _____ (not taste) good.

6. My father _____ (always/make) our hotel reservations well in advance.

7. People _____ (not travel) abroad as much as before. They _____ (prefer) to spend the summer in their own country.

8. The film _____ (start) at 5 pm, so we should hurry.
9. How many people _____ you _____ (invite) to the party next week?
10. I _____ (have) lunch with a friend tomorrow.

3. Complete the questions with the following verbs. Use Present Simple or Present Continuous. Then match the questions to the answers.

tutor • rehearse • apply • start • compete • find

1. When _____ the English lesson _____ on Tuesdays?
2. _____ Mike _____ for the manager's job this week?
3. _____ the new students _____ it difficult to keep up with the rest of the class?
4. On which days _____ you _____ for the school play?
5. Why _____ you _____ Betty in maths?
6. _____ your sister _____ in the marathon every year?

- a. In some of the lessons.
- b. At 10.45.
- c. No, she doesn't.
- d. She needs help.
- e. Yes, he is.
- f. Mondays and Fridays.

-ing/to... -ing/to...
 like infinitive
 remember Gerund
 be continue
 see stop would like





3. Complete. Use the Present Simple or the Present Continuous

1. The plane _____ (leave) Madrid at 8 am and _____ (arrive) in London around 10 am.
2. Factories _____ (make) coffee from coffee beans.
3. An Olympic medal _____ (usually /belong) to the athlete that won it.
4. Maria _____ (know) how to speak English fluently as she comes from Australia.
5. Mum _____ (mix) eggs, sugar and flour now. She _____ (make) a cake.
6. Tim _____ (go) to New Zealand this month and he _____ (plan) to take New Zealand dollars with him.

4. Complete the text. Use Present Simple or Present Continuous.

LEARNING IN AN OPEN PLAN SCHOOL

Can you imagine a school where all 1,150 students _____ (have) lessons in one large space called an "open plan"? That's what happens at the super-modern school Orestad, in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Educators _____ (believe) that an open environment encourages students to work together. Students who _____ (currently/study) at the school learn that two heads are



better than one, and that teamwork _____ (be) a good idea. Another result of an open plan is that students _____ (not talk) in loud voices - out of respect for their classmates.

At Orestad, everything from books to homework assignments is online, and the school _____ (put) emphasis on Technology in maths, for exemple, instead of giving in the answers to the teacher, the students can film themselves while they _____ (solve) a problem, and then _____ (hand in) their video to the teacher.

Many places throughout the world _____ (now build) schools using these ideas. _____ you _____ (think) learning in an open plan would be a good idea at your school?