

Grammar present simple and present continuous

Choose the correct options to complete the conversations.

- 1 A Where *do you go* / *are you going*?
B To the shops. *Do you want* / *Are you wanting* anything?
- 2 A *Do you listen* / *Are you listening* to the radio at the moment?
B Yes, I *like* / *'m liking* this programme.
- 3 A What *do you do* / *are you doing* on Saturday evenings?
B I usually *go* / *'m going* out.
- 4 A What time *does the market open* / *is the market opening*?
B I *don't know* / *'m not knowing*, sorry.
- 5 A *Does your partner* / *Is your partner* working today?
B No, he *doesn't work* / *isn't working* on Fridays.
- 6 A *Do you have* / *Are you having* fun?
B Yes, I *have* / *'m having* a great time.
- 7 A *Do I need* / *Am I needing* an umbrella?
B No, it *doesn't rain* / *isn't raining*.
- 8 A *Is our team winning* / *Does our team win*?
B No, they *play* / *'re playing* really badly today.

Complete the article with the correct present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

Fabulous La Rambla

One of the most famous streets in the world is La Rambla in Barcelona, Spain. La Rambla ¹ *starts* (start) in the Plaça de Catalunya, a huge square in the centre of the city, and ² _____ (finish) at the statue of Christopher Columbus in the port. The street ³ _____ (have) a central pedestrian area and it ⁴ _____ (get) very crowded at the weekend.

Today is a typical day in La Rambla and the street is full of tourists. Some people ⁵ _____ (sit) at pavement cafés and others ⁶ _____ (watch) the street performers. A local woman ⁷ _____ (buy) some flowers from a stall and an American tourist ⁸ _____ (look) at postcards at a souvenir seller's. He ⁹ _____ (want) to write to his friends back home.

Most people ¹⁰ _____ (like) going to La Rambla because there is so much to do and see there, and it ¹¹ _____ (become) one of the most important parts of Barcelona. These days more tourists ¹² _____ (spend) time there than ever before.

