

GRAMMAR

PRESENT AND PAST TENSES

1 Complete each sentence with one verb in the simple form and one verb in the continuous form.

- 1 I (find) this amazing website while I (browse) the Internet the other day.
- 2 Sean (think) the band is amazing, so he (look forward to) the concert tomorrow.
- 3 I (stay over) at Chris' house when I (play) that computer game for the first time.
- 4 Jerry (not believe) in ghosts, so he (not join) us on tomorrow's trip to the town's haunted house.
- 5 Luckily, my dad (not see) the chocolate on the sofa while he (clean) the living room.
- 6 Louise (not come) to the school film club today because she (not like) old films - today it's *Casablanca*, from 1942!
- 7 Angela (not want) to go swimming yesterday because she (not feel) very well.

2 Complete the sentence below in different ways. Use the words given and the Present Simple, Present Continuous, Past Simple or Past Continuous.

Yesterday, I had an argument with my friend, ...

- 1 and / now / she / not talk / to me
.....
- 2 while / we / walk home / from school
.....
- 3 although / we / not usually / fight
.....
- 4 when / I / see / her with James
.....
- 5 so / we / not work / on / our project / this afternoon
.....

3 Complete the news article with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the Present Simple, Present Continuous, Past Simple or Past Continuous.

A Special Letter

Fifteen-year-old Ashli Taylor ¹ (sit) in her classroom one day when she and her classmates ² (hear) a knock at the door. Although Ashli ³ (not recognise) the man at the door, he was an important person in her life. His name was Dr Robert Goldstein. "I am your mum's surgeon," he said. "You ⁴ (write) me a letter, and it was amazing."

When Ashli was a baby, she was extremely ill with a liver disease. Doctors ⁵ (search) for a liver donor, but nothing was suitable. Ashli's mother ⁶ (decide) to give part of her own liver to Ashli, and Dr Goldstein ⁷ (perform) the operation. Fifteen years later, Ashli ⁸ (do) a creative writing class when she ⁹ (get) the idea to write a letter to Dr Goldstein, thanking him for saving her life.

This story ¹⁰ (show) the importance of organ donation. Thousands of people ¹¹ (wait) for an organ donor right now. Becoming an organ donor ¹² (give) others a chance to live a normal life.

