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GRAMMAR V

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Your name is _____ I.D.Card number _____

PRESENT SIMPLE vs PRESENT CONTINUOUS

PRESENT SIMPLE

USES: routines
gustos - likes + dislikes (stative verbs)
hechos o verdades generales

EXAMPLE: Alicia plays the guitar every afternoon

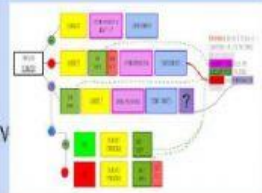
TIME EXPRESSIONS:

-Adverbs of frequency (always, usually, sometimes, never...)
-once a... / twice a... / 3 (or more) times a...
-every... day / week / month / Monday...
-on + day of the week

(find more time expression on your class notes)

REMEMBER !

-Add -S (3rd person singular) in affirmative sentences
-Use DO / DOES for interrogative and negative sentences



PRESENT CONTINUOUS

USES: Actions happening NOW or around now
Do NOT use this tense with STATIVE VERBS (feelings, mental processes, 5 senses)

EXAMPLE: Alicia is playing the guitar right now

TIME EXPRESSIONS:

-now, right now, today, at the moment
-these days
-Look! Listen!

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REMEMBER !

There are two parts in this verbal tense

am
is
are } vb -ing



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Fill in the correct form of the present tense.

1. They normally _____ a coffee break at ten, but today there's a lot of work to do so they _____ one. **(HAVE, NOT HAVE)**
2. Why _____ my coat? - I'm sorry. - It _____ just like mine. **(YOU WEAR, LOOK)**
3. _____ the men in black suits over there? - They _____ at us in a strange way. **(YOU SEE, LOOK)**
4. The food _____ chemicals that make it last longer. **(CONTAIN)**
5. It _____ the moon about 28 days to travel around the earth. **(TAKE)**
6. Everything in this box _____ to my grandfather. He _____ it to me instead of my brother. **(BELONG, GIVE)**
7. Mary _____ through a very difficult period at university this year. **(GO)**
8. Dad _____ everything about airplanes. He always _____ books about aviation. **(KNOW, READ)**
9. I used to play football in school but now I _____ rugby. **(PREFER)**
10. Hi Dan! - What _____ to do this evening? - Well, I _____ to a concert with a few friends and after that we _____ a good meal at a fine restaurant. **(YOU PLAN, GO, HAVE)**