

Exercise 9

Complete the conversation. Use the words in brackets with the present simple or present continuous. Use contractions (e.g. isn't), where possible. The first question has been done for you.

A: Why are you standing on that chair? (you / stand)

B: _____ the batteries in this smoke detector. (I / change)

A: Why _____ that? (you / do) _____ perfectly, isn't it? (it / still / work)

B: Yes, but _____ the batteries every six months. (I / always / change) And look – _____. (the light / flash)

A: Oh, yes. I can see. Why _____ ? (it / flash)

B: _____ the battery's nearly flat. (that / mean) So _____ to change it. (I / definitely / need)

A: OK, _____ like a good idea. (that / sound)