

# Test A: Tenses – present

## A

Read the conversation between two students. Then look at the answers below and write the correct answer in each space.

Lisa: Who (►) is Michelle talking to?  
Amy: I can't see Michelle.  
Lisa: You (1) ..... looking in the right place. She's over there.  
Amy: Oh, that's Adrian. He's new here.  
Lisa: Really? Where (2) ..... he live? (3) ..... you know?  
Amy: No, I (4) ..... know anything else about him.  
Lisa: What (5) ..... they talking about, I wonder?  
Amy: Well, he (6) ..... look very interested. He's got a very bored expression on his face. And he (7) ..... saying anything.

► a) are      b) do      c) does      d) is  
1 a) aren't      b) doesn't      c) don't      d) isn't  
2 a) are      b) do      c) does      d) is  
3 a) Are      b) Do      c) Does      d) Is  
4 a) aren't      b) doesn't      c) don't      d) 'm not  
5 a) are      b) do      c) does      d) is  
6 a) aren't      b) doesn't      c) don't      d) isn't  
7 a) aren't      b) doesn't      c) don't      d) isn't

## B

Read Tessa's postcard to Angela and write the missing words. Use one word only in each space.

We're (►) having ..... a great time here. It's beautiful, and the sun (1) ..... shining. Yesterday I went water-skiing! What (2) ..... you think of that?

I'm (3) ..... at a table in our hotel room and writing a few postcards. The room is fine, but we (4) ..... like the food very much. But it (5) ..... matter because we (6) ..... out to a restaurant every evening.

We're both (7) ..... very lazy at the moment. I (8) ..... up quite late in the morning, and Nigel (9) ..... up even later. You know of course how much Nigel's work (10) ..... to him and how he's (11) ..... talking about it. Well, the holiday is so good that he's forgotten all about work. So it's the perfect holiday. The only problem is that it's (12) ..... us a lot of money. But we'll worry about that later.

## C

Each of these sentences has a mistake in it. Write the correct sentence.

► The children is doing their homework now.

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1 The girls are play tennis at the moment.

2 Both my brothers-likes sport.

3 Anna ~~wearing~~ her new coat today.

4 What colour ~~you~~ like best?

5 My suitcase ~~is~~ weighing ten kilos.

6 At the moment I ~~stay~~ at a hotel.

7 Robert ~~catch~~ the same bus every morning.

8 What is this word ~~here~~ mean?

## D

Complete the conversations. Put in the correct form of each verb.  
Use the Present Continuous or the Present Simple.

► A: Is Janet in, please?  
B: Yes, but ~~I think~~ ..... (I / think) she's busy at the moment. ~~She's washing~~ (she / wash) her hair.

1 A: ..... (I / think) of buying a new computer.  
B: But computers ..... (cost) so much money. What's wrong with the one we've got?  
A: ..... (it / get) out of date now.

2 A: Your new trousers ..... (look) nice.  
B: Thank you. The trouble is ..... (they / not / fit) properly.  
..... (I / not / know) why I bought them, really.

3 A: What ..... (you / do)?  
B: ..... (I / weigh) this letter. ..... (I / need) to know how many stamps to put on it.

4 A: ..... (I / think) this road is really dangerous. Look how fast that lorry ..... (go).  
B: ..... (I / agree). People shouldn't go so fast.

5 A: ..... (I / like) musicals. And this is a great show, isn't it?  
..... (you / enjoy) it?  
B: Yes, I am. ..... (I / love) every minute of it.

6 A: ..... (I / always / fall) asleep. I just can't keep awake.  
B: What time ..... (you / go) to bed?  
A: About ten o'clock usually. But ..... (it / not / make) any difference.

7 A: Could you post the goods to me, please?  
B: Yes, certainly.  
A: ..... (I / live) at a guest house at the moment as ..... (I / look) for a flat. So could you send it to my work address?  
B: Yes, of course. And you'll have the goods by the end of the week,  
..... (I / promise).

8 A: Why ..... (you / want) to change the whole plan?  
B: I'm just not happy with it.  
A: And ..... (I / not / understand) why ..... (you / be) so difficult about it.