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Worksheet: Simple Present or Present Continuous?

	SIMPLE PRESENT	PRESENT CONTINUOUS
Definition	Routines and permanent situations	Actions happening at the moment of speaking or around the moment of speaking
Key words	always, often, usually, sometimes, hardly ever, never, every day, every week, every year, on Mondays	now, at the moment, Look!, Listen!
Forms	<u>Infinitive</u> 3rd person singular (he, she, it) verb + (s) (es) (i+es)	to be (am, are, is) + verb + ing
Affirmative	I work here. / He works here.	I am working now. / He is working now.
Negative	I don't (do not) work here. He doesn't (does not) work here.	I 'm not working now. She isn't working now.
Interrogative	Do you work here? Does he work here?	Am I working now? Is she working now?



STATIVE VERBS: do NOT use them in continuous forms, only SIMPLE.
believe, know, understand, think (opinion), be, have (possess), like, love, hate, dislike, prefer, mind, appear, look (appearance), seem, belong, include, need, want, agree, disagree, etc.

Let's practice!

1. Choose the correct option.



- We _____ a new computer right now. (need / are needing)
- You have to go now. It _____ dark. (gets / is getting)
- Bob _____ movies every night. (watch / watches / is watching)
- My sister and I _____ at the club at weekends. (swim / swims)
- My father _____ home at 11:00 pm every day. (arrives / is arriving)
- Take an umbrella. It _____. (rains / is raining)
- I _____ she forgot my party. (don't believe / 'm not believing)
- _____ Mary like going out? (Does / Is)
- Listen! The band _____ a beautiful song now. (plays / is playing)
- My mum _____ like her sister. They look so different. (doesn't look / isn't looking)

2. Put the verbs into the correct tense.

- a) Listen! Someone _____ you. (call)
- b) Be quiet, please. The baby _____ at the moment. (sleep)
- c) He often _____ to the movies with his girlfriend. (go)
- d) Every weekend, the boys _____ their father. (visit)
- e) We _____ volleyball at the club on Sundays. (not play)
- f) She _____ Italian on Mondays and Sundays. (study)
- g) Look! That woman _____ a funny hat. (wear)
- h) I _____ my homework now. (not do)
- i) Listen! _____ Mary _____ the piano? (play)
- j) Every morning, I _____ my breakfast at the snack bar. (have)
- k) _____ the kids _____ with their dad or their mum? (live)
- l) Look! It _____. Let's make a snowman! (snow)

