# PRESENT TENSES

## I Match the sentences from the first column with the correct description in the second column.

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| **1.** I'**m leaving** for Paris next Friday. | **a.** past actions completed in an unspecified time |
| **2.** Tom's train **arrives** at 12 o'clock. | **b.** changing or developing action |
| **3.** My cousin **is staying** with me these days. | **c.** to express criticism or annoyance |
| **4.** They **have** just **arrived**. | **d.** actions recently finished with visible results |
| **5.** More and more students **are passing** this exam. | **e.** timetables or programs |
| **6.** Mum! You **are** always **calling** at the wrong time! | **f.** action began in the past and still continuing |
| **7.** Mum! You always **listen** to all my problems! Thanks! | **g.** future personal arrangement |
| **8.** Eric **has been surfing** the net all night long. | **h.** temporary action |
| **9.** We **have finished** the exercise. | **i.** recently completed action |
| **10.** Why are you sad? **Has** something **happened**? | **j.** routines |

## II Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D.

It's Friday night and Rose (1) ___ out with Walter. It's their first date. She (2) ___ very nervous. Normally, she (3) ___ very cool about these dates, but there's something about Walter ... she likes him...a lot. So, now she (4) ___ in front of her mirror trying out dresses. She (5) ___ out for 2 hour now. She most likely (6) ___ about a dozen of dresses. She finally decides to wear a red dress which (7) ___ good on her. She (8) ___ getting ready and goes in the living room to wait for Walter's arrival. An hour (9) ___ and still nothing. After she (10) ___ for more than two hours, the door bell rings. She goes to open...but it's not Walter.

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| **1. A.** goes | **B.** is going | **C.** has gone | **D.** has been going |
| **2. A.** feels | **B.** is feeling | **C.** has felt | **D.** has been feeling |
| **3. A.** feels | **B.** is feeling | **C.** has felt | **D.** has been feeling |
| **4. A.** stands | **B.** is standing | **C.** has stood | **D.** has been standing |
| **5. A.** tries | **B.** is trying | **C.** has tried | **D.** has been trying |
| **6. A.** tries | **B.** is trying | **C.** has tried | **D.** has been trying |
| **7. A.** looks | **B.** is looking | **C.** has looked | **D.** has been looking |
| **8. A.** finishes | **B.** is finishing | **C.** has finished | **D.** has been finishing |
| **9. A.** passes | **B.** is passing | **C.** has passed | **D.** has been passing |
| **10. A.** waits | **B.** is waiting | **C.** has waited | **D.** has been waiting |

## III Put the verbs in brackets in the correct present tense.

**1.** You cannot see to Harry because he (**have**) _____ an important meeting.

**2.** We (**not see**) _____ Mary lately.

**3.** Grandma (**go**) _____ to the seaside every summer.

**4.** I really hate that you (**always / phone**) _____ me at 7:00 in the morning.

**5.** I (**see**) _____ my doctor tomorrow.

**6.** The performance (**go**) _____ on for 2 hours.

**7.** Danielle (**visit**) _____ her grandparents these days.

**8.** Tina (**have**) _____ the same haircut since highschool.

**9.** This is the second time, James (**ever / break**) _____ the window.

**10.** Your English (**get**) _____ better and better.

**11.** Where are you? I (**call**) _____ you all morning.

**12.** Please let me know when she (**arrive**) _____ home tonight!

**13.** You look wonderful! (**you / loose**) _____ weight?

**14.** They are very tired because they (**dig**) _____ a hole all night!

**15.** Where (**you / be**) _____? I (**look**) _____ for you for 1 hour!

**16.** I (**not be**) _____ to the cinema for ages!

**17.** This is the boy I (**tell**) _____ you about!

**18.** The show (**begin**) _____ in half an hour.

**19.** I (**begin**) _____ to get angry.

**20.** (**they / not eat**) _____ any cake?