**LESSON:** 11
**TOPIC:** Verb Tense Forms (Present Simple, Continuous, Perfect, Perfect-Continuous/ Past Simple)
**TASK:** 2 of 2

**1. Choose the right form of the verb:**

✓ **TEXT 1**

Owner of The Entertainer toy shop, Gary Grant, … (1) putting 2000 of Frozen's Elsa Snow Glow dolls on their website caused it to crash twice in the busiest day the site … (2). The Snow Glow Elsa doll … (3) such a sensation that five more factories have been enlisted in China to help meet the demand, and one Dublin toy shop … (4) to call the police as parents queued for the dolls. Mr Grant said: "We … (5) the dolls to "one per person" due to parents being "overcharged on ebay" for this year's number one selling Christmas toy. Mother, Sandra Phelan, who … (6) to get hold of a Snow Glow Elsa doll for her two and a half year old daughter said she … (7) "this much pressure" and it is "very difficult to get your hands on it".

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| 1 | a) is saying | b) has been saying | c) said | d) says |
| 2 | a) ever saw | b) has ever seen | c) is ever seeing | d) ever sees |
| 3 | a) becomes | b) became | c) is becoming | d) has become |
| 4 | a) had | b) has had | c) is having | d) has |
| 5 | a) now restrict | b) have now restricted | c) are now restricting | d) now restricted |
| 6 | a) is trying | b) has been trying | c) tired | d) tries |
| 7 | a) won't expect | b) doesn't expect | c) isn't expecting | d) didn't expect |

✓ **TEXT 2**

Volunteers for the Yorkshire legs of the Tour de France … (1) not to welcome people with traditional local greetings like 'love' or 'darling' in case visitors … (2) offended. Eric Scaife from the Yorkshire Dialect Society … (3) "Why should we change our speech for them? We … (4) proud of it" He … (5) that some words in the Yorkshire dialect could be confusing but said "Should we change the English language to French so they aren't confused?"

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| 1 | a) decided | b) have decided | c) decide | d) are deciding |
| 2 | a) have got | b) got | c) get | d) are getting |
| 3 | a) says | b) has said | c) has been saying | d) said |
| 4 | a) were | b) have been | c) are being | d) are |
| 5 | a) admits | b) admitted | c) has admitted | d) has been admitting |

**2. Write down the correct forms of the verbs:**

Jack (1-be) …….. my friend for over 20 years. We (2-know) …….. each other since we (3-be) …….. children. Recently, he and his family (4-move) …….. to a house on the same street as me, and now our children (5-play) …….. together almost every day. For the last ten years, Jack and I (6-play) …….. for the same hockey team every Saturday. Jack is a better player than I am, but in the last few months he (7-have) …….. some trouble with his left knee, and he (8-find) …….. it hard to play a full game. He (9-see) …….. the doctor several times about his knee, but the doctor (10-not, know) …….. what is causing his pain. Jack (11-decide) …….. to take a break from hockey for a while, so that his knee can recover. It's going to be lonely on the team without him!

**3. Complete the gaps with the words derived from the given:**

Dear Mr Harrison,

I …….(1) to complain about the work that you were carrying out at our offices at 106 Delia Street from 1 - 5 December last year. You will recall that …….(2) workmen were supposed to repair the ceiling WRITER YOU

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around the windows in the second floor conference room. This work …….(3) to be satisfactory at first. However, the ceiling ……. (4) now and for the past month water came in every time it was raining. I called your office a number of times over the past week only to get a …….(5) message each time. Although I left my number and a message each time I still …….(6) a reply. I would be grateful if you would call me on 2901 4304 as soon as possible to arrange a time for the work to be redone.

Yours faithfully,
C M Jenkins

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