

GRAMMAR: Present continuous

and present simple

1 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- Kati can't go out today. ____ her essay.
a She's finishing b She finishes
- This soup is very salty. ____ it.
a I'm not liking b I don't like
- ____ a lot in your country?
a Is it snowing b Does it snow
- ____ for our exams at the moment.
a We're studying b We study
- Is that Emir? ____ his brother.
a I'm knowing b I know
- Sophia is busy. ____ dinner.
a She's cooking b She cooks
- Luis works as a journalist. ____ articles about sport.
a He's writing b He writes
- I can go with you. ____ anything at the moment.
a I'm not doing b I don't do
- ____ his daughter to school every morning.
a Sam is taking b Sam takes
- ____ to the gym with you very often?
a Is Raul going b Does Raul go

2 Complete the sentences with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

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come from work wear have

- Mr Silva _____ past our house every morning.
- Mum and Dad _____ their lunch at the moment.
- Laura _____ in a café for three months this summer.
- Luca _____ football very often.
- Olga and Sergei _____ Russia.
- _____ Helen usually _____ her homework in the evenings?
- Maria _____ that our new teacher is great.
- Jorge _____ a jacket today.

VOCABULARY: Useful verbs

3 Choose the correct verbs to complete the sentences.

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| 1 I often ____ my keys – it's so annoying! | miss | lose |
| 2 Pablo usually ____ our swimming races. | wins | earns |
| 3 Susie ____ really happy, doesn't she? | looks like | looks |
| 4 I'm cold! Let's ____ home. | go back | come back |
| 5 Emma's ____ a blue coat today. | wearing | carrying |
| 6 Can you ____ me to call Ali later? | remember | remind |
| 7 I'm ____ for Francesca to arrive. | hoping | waiting |
| 8 Are you ____ your holiday? | looking forward to | expecting |
| 9 Emma often ____ me about her friends. | says | tells |
| 10 I need to ____ some documents to Mr Smith's office. | take | bring |

4 Complete the conversation with verbs from exercise 3 in the correct tense.

Ana Are you going to Jorge and Sara's wedding? I'm really ¹ ____ it.

Laura Yes, I am! But I can only buy them a small present, because I'm not ² ____ very much money at the moment.

Ana Never mind! Do you have something to wear to the wedding?

Laura No, but my sister ³ ____ from holiday tomorrow and she has so many amazing dresses.

Ana I ⁴ ____ she has something suitable then!

Laura Yes, definitely. Every week she ⁵ ____ home something new from the shops!

Ana By the way, do you ⁶ ____ Carlos, Jorge's best friend?

Laura Yes, I do. He's the tall guy that ⁷ ____ Zac Efron, isn't he? He's great – I really ⁸ ____ he'll be at the wedding.

Ana Of course he will. Jorge ⁹ ____ that he's like a brother to him. He works in France in the winter, and Jorge really ¹⁰ ____ him when he's away.



PRONUNCIATION: -ng sound

5 1.3 Practise saying the sentences. Listen, check and repeat.

- I'm bringing Julio to the meeting.
- He's studying French at university.
- She's carrying a young child.
- Are they running in the park?
- They're singing my favourite song.
- I'm taking a strong box for the heavy books.
- She's wearing a long dress.