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## Present Forms

## 17 Put the verbs in brackets into the correct present forms.

Dear Janet,

How are you? I 1) ... *in writing* ... (write) to you from Hawaii. The hotel we 2) ..... (stay) in is amazing!

It's very hot here and we 3) ..... (have) a great time. Today, we 4) ..... (be) all at the beach. Right now, my sisters, Carla and Daniela, 5) ..... (build) a sandcastle. Mum and Dad 6) ..... (play) beach volleyball for over an hour and Giovanni, my brother, 7) ..... (just/go) diving with his friends. They 8) ..... (go) diving every day. So far, I 9) ..... (try) windsurfing. It's really thrilling!

We 10) ..... (not/do) much sightseeing yet but tomorrow we 11) ..... (go) on a trip round the island. We're all looking forward to it.

See you soon.

Luisa



### Speaking Activity

(describing a picture)

Look at the picture and, in pairs, discuss it.

- Where are the people in the picture?  
*They are at the beach.*
- What / they / wear?
- What / they / do?
- What / weather / be like?
- How / they / feel?
- you / ever / be ...?
- Where / you like / go on holiday?



### Writing Activity

Imagine you are on holiday. Write an email to your English pen friend. In your email write:

- where you are
- who you are with
- where you are staying
- what the weather is like
- what you have / haven't done

Use Ex. 17 as a model.

Dear .....

How are you? I ..... from ..... We're staying at .....

The weather here is ..... Right now, ..... Mum and Dad ..... I ..... It's so exciting!

We ..... yet but we ..... Tomorrow, we ..... We're looking forward to it.

See you soon.

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**Phrasal Verbs****break down:**

- stop working (of cars, engines, machines, etc.)
- lose control of feelings (of people)

**break into (+ object):**

- enter by force
- start doing sth suddenly (laughter, etc.)

**break out:**

- begin suddenly (war, fire, etc.)
- escape from a place

**break up:** stop for holidays (of schools, etc.)**1 Fill in the correct particle.**

- 1 Our school usually breaks ..... *up* ..... for the summer in July.
- 2 My car broke ..... on the motorway and I had to walk to a garage.
- 3 When they saw the clown, the children broke ..... laughter.
- 4 The man managed to break ..... of prison early this morning.
- 5 The fire broke ..... in the kitchen and quickly spread to the rest of the building.
- 6 After hearing the bad news, the girls broke ..... and cried.

**2 Look at Appendix 1 on page 206 and fill in the correct preposition.**

- 1 She blamed him ..... *for* ..... the accident.
- 2 They arrived ..... London at 7:30 pm.
- 3 I must apologise ..... Mary ..... the delay.
- 4 Sally was ashamed ..... Mark's behaviour at the party.
- 5 He doesn't believe ..... ghosts.

- 6 She is brilliant ..... gymnastics.
- 7 He isn't aware ..... the problem.
- 8 I am afraid ..... snakes and spiders.
- 9 I am very annoyed ..... John ..... being so careless.
- 10 They were astonished ..... the way Fred spoke to the manager.

**Word Formation Nouns referring to people**

- **verb + er / or / at** teach – teacher, act – actor, lie – liar, employ – employer
- **noun / verb / adjective + ist** art – artist, tour – tourist, national – nationalist

- **verb + ant / ent** contest – contestant, study – student
- **noun + an / ian** republic – republican, library – librarian
- **verb + ee (passive meaning)** employ – employee

**3 Complete each of the sentences with a word formed from the word in bold.**

- 1 The shop has a new ... *employee* ... (**employ**) on the second floor.
- 2 Did you know that George has started work as a ..... (**library**) at the university?
- 3 The professor doesn't want more than six ..... (**study**) in each study group.
- 4 I'm going to be a ..... (**contest**) in a TV quiz show next week!
- 5 I think that Leonardo DiCaprio is a fantastic ..... (**act**).
- 6 She wants to be a professional ..... (**art**) when she finishes university.
- 7 Abraham Lincoln was the first ..... (**republic**) president of the USA.
- 8 Our ..... (**teach**), Mrs Wilson, has been ill for two weeks.
- 9 I've just found a camera. I think it belongs to the ..... (**tour**) over there.
- 10 The ..... (**burgl**) got into the house through the kitchen window.

## In Other Words ...

I've never eaten pizza before.  
It's the first time I've ever eaten pizza.

I've never read such a good book.  
It's the best book I've ever read.

## 4 Rephrase the following sentences using the words in bold.

- She has never been on TV before.  
**first** ..... *It's the first time she has ever been on TV.*.....
- She has never heard such a funny story.  
**funniest** .....
- It's the first time she has ever read Tolstoy.  
**never** .....
- It's the worst headache she's ever had.  
**bad** .....
- He's never played cricket before.  
**ever** .....

## 5 Here are some sentences about Lisa's neighbour, Stella. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words.

- Stella is the kindest person I know.  
I ..... *have never met* ..... such a kind person as Stella.
- Stella owns two pet dogs.  
Stella ..... two pet dogs.
- There's a party at Stella's house next Friday.  
Stella ..... a party at her house next Friday.

- Stella hasn't finished sending the invitations yet.  
Stella is ..... the invitations.
- Stella has an appointment with the DJ at 10 am.  
Stella is ..... the DJ at 10 am.
- Stella is wearing a nice perfume today.  
Stella's perfume ..... nice.

## Idioms

**be on good terms (with sb):** be friendly (with sb)

**be in a good mood:** feel happy

**be broke:** have no money at all

**do one's best:** try as hard as possible

**do sb a favour:** do sth to help sb

**do (sth) for a living:** have a job and earn money

## 6 Fill in the correct idiom.

- "What do you ..... *do for a living* ....?" "I work as a nurse."
- After the divorce, they didn't talk for months but now they ..... with each other.
- I'm going to the bank to ask for a loan because I .....
- Although he ..... , he didn't win the race.
- Could you ..... ? If you're going out, could you buy some milk?
- Now's a good time to ask for a pay rise because the boss .....