1 Present Forms

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

Dear Janet,

How are you? I 1) ...*'m 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 volley 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 ..... **(burgle)** got into the house through the kitchen window.

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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.

1 She has never been on TV before.
first ..It's the first time she has ever been on TV. .....

2 She has never heard such a funny story.
funniest .....

3 It's the first time she has ever read Tolstoy.
never .....

4 It's the worst headache she's ever had.
bad .....

5 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.

1 Stella is the kindest person I know.
I ....have never met.... such a kind person as Stella.

2 Stella owns two pet dogs.
Stella ..... two pet dogs.

3 There's a party at Stella's house next Friday.
Stella ..... a party at her house next Friday.

4 Stella hasn't finished sending the invitations yet.
Stella is ..... the invitations.

5 Stella has an appointment with the DJ at 10 am.
Stella is ..... the DJ at 10 am.

6 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.

1 "What do you ....do for a living....?" "I work as a nurse."

2 After the divorce, they didn't talk for months but now they ..... with each other.

3 I'm going to the bank to ask for a loan because I ..... .

4 Although he ...., he didn't win the race.

5 Could you .....? If you're going out, could you buy some milk?

6 Now's a good time to ask for a pay rise because the boss ..... .

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