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Present Forms

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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 + ant / ent** contest – contestant, study – student
- **noun + an / ian** republic – republican, library – librarian
- **noun / verb / adjective + ist** art – artist, tour – tourist, national – nationalist
- **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.

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