

1 Complete 1–8 with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 A stockbroker is someone who _____ (buy) and _____ (sell) shares.
- 2 The M40 _____ (go) from London to Birmingham.
- 3 What time _____ (the last flight to New York / leave)?
- 4 Because of the roadworks, it _____ (take) me much longer to get to work.
- 5 I'm afraid Leon is out at the moment. He _____ (have) lunch with a client.
- 6 I can give Anne your letter. I _____ (see) her tomorrow afternoon.
- 7 Tell Heinrich I'll get in touch when I _____ (get back) next week.
- 8 We _____ (develop) a new anti-malaria drug, and hope to start trials in a couple of years.

2 Write an appropriate question for these answers, using the stative verbs from the list. More than one correct question is possible.

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- 1 Q: *Does the car sound OK to you?*
A: I think so – I can't hear anything wrong with it.
- 2 Q: _____?
A: He's about 2 m tall, with dark hair and blue eyes.
- 3 Q: _____?
A: Tea – I don't like coffee at all.
- 4 Q: _____?
A: It's delicious.
- 5 Q: _____?
A: It's mine.
- 6 Q: _____?
A: No, I rent it.

3 Choose the correct words in *italics*.

- 1 As a rule, I *catch* / 'm *catching* the 8 a.m. train.
- 2 Right now I *design* / 'm *designing* a new company website.
- 3 I *stay* / 'm *staying* with Clare for the time being.
- 4 On the whole I *complete* / 'm *completing* most tasks quite quickly.
- 5 I generally *check* / *am checking* my emails twice a day.