

## Climate change and school

### 1 Complete the rules with *simple* or *continuous*.

1 We use the present \_\_\_\_\_ to talk about...  
 A our lives and things we do every day, week, etc.  
 B how we think or feel about something.

2 We use the present \_\_\_\_\_ to talk about...  
 A things that are happening now.  
 B things that are happening around now (today, this week, etc.).

### 2 Choose the correct alternative. Then match to the rules (1A, 1B, 2A or 2B) in Ex 1.

1 Siri **works** / **is working** very hard at the moment. \_\_\_\_\_

2 We **travel** / **are travelling** to school by bus every day. \_\_\_\_\_

3 'Where's Jamal?' 'He **writes** / **is writing** an essay in his bedroom.' \_\_\_\_\_

4 'Whose bag is that?' 'I think it **belongs** / **is belonging** to Amy.' \_\_\_\_\_

5 Every year, some students **fail** / **are failing** their exams because they **don't revise** / **aren't revising**. \_\_\_\_\_

6 A **Do you like** / **Are you liking** netball, Anya? \_\_\_\_\_  
 B No, it's boring. I **prefer** / **are preferring** basketball. \_\_\_\_\_

7 Our science lessons are always interesting – this week we **study** / **are studying** the water cycle. \_\_\_\_\_

8 Nasser **wants** / **is wanting** to be a climate scientist when he grows up. \_\_\_\_\_



### 3 Complete the interview with the present simple or present continuous form of the verb in brackets.

A So Tariq, what<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (think) of your new classroom? Having your lessons on a boat seems strange.

B It is a bit strange, but I<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (like) it. Going to school on a boat is really cool.

A<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (understand) why the boat is necessary?

B Yes, of course. It's because of climate change. We<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) about it in our science class this week. The climate<sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (change) and it means there is more water in the river. So we can't get to school by road.

A What is it like to study on a boat?

B It's exciting. At first it was strange, but now it<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (get) easier. It<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) desks, chairs and whiteboards – just like a normal school. And there are exams soon. Sometimes I<sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (forget) I'm on a boat.

A<sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (work) hard for your exams?

B Yes, I<sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (revise) for my exams at the moment. I<sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to go to university and study climate science, and I<sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (know) it's important to get good grades at school.

### 4 Choose the correct alternative: A or B.

1 I \_\_\_\_\_ that climate change is a big problem.  
 A believe B am believing

2 We \_\_\_\_\_ about 20th-century history at the moment.  
 A learn B are learning

3 Whose is that book? It \_\_\_\_\_ to me.  
 A doesn't belong B isn't belonging

4 You \_\_\_\_\_ good grades to get into university.  
 A need B are needing

5 The weather is bad this week so we \_\_\_\_\_ sport.  
 A don't play B aren't playing

6 I can't chat now, I \_\_\_\_\_ for a test tomorrow.  
 A revise B am revising

### 5 Match 1–8 to A–H.

1 assignment	5 grade
2 secondary	6 primary
3 term	7 canteen
4 degree	8 pass

A the school that children under 12 years old go to.  
 B a mark you get for a piece of work (e.g. A, B, etc.).  
 C the school that teenagers go to.  
 D the place in a school where people buy and eat their lunch.  
 E be successful in an exam or test.  
 F what you get after a successful course at university.  
 G one of three parts of the year at school or university.  
 H a piece of work you have to do for your studies.

### 6 Match the words below to the underlined words in the sentences.

essay fail progress qualifications  
 revise technology

1 When she finishes this course she hopes to move up to the next level. \_\_\_\_\_

2 It's important to read your notes again before an exam so you remember everything. \_\_\_\_\_

3 We have to complete one short piece of writing on a particular subject every week. \_\_\_\_\_

4 You can't be a doctor if you don't have the right exam results. \_\_\_\_\_

5 If you get less than 50%, then you will not be successful in the test. \_\_\_\_\_

6 Our school uses solar panels to power all the computers, printers and phones. \_\_\_\_\_

### 7 Complete the questions with the verbs in brackets. Then write answers that are true for you.

1 Which subjects \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ at school this term? (study)  
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2 What technology \_\_\_\_\_ you often \_\_\_\_\_ for studying? (use)  
 \_\_\_\_\_

3 What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ to do after you finish school? (want)  
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4 Why \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ so hard at the moment? (work)  
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