

# What an interesting family! - Homework

1. Which words are for males? Which are for females? Complete the chart.

- aunt
- brother
- daughter
- father

- husband
- mother
- nephew
- niece

- sister
- son
- uncle
- wife

## Males

brother

## Females

aunt

2. Complete this conversation. Use the present continuous of the verbs given.

**Jan:** You look tired, Monica.

Are you studying (study) late at night these days?

**Monica:** No, I'm not. My brother and sister  
\_\_\_\_\_ (stay) with me right now.

They keep me up late every night.

Jan: Really, both of them? What \_\_\_\_\_ (do) doing this summer? \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) too?

**Monica:** No, they aren't. My brother is on vacation now, but he \_\_\_\_\_ **(look)** for a part-time job here.

**Jan:** What about your sister?

\_\_\_\_\_ (work)?

**Monica:** Yes, she is. She has a part-time job at the university. What about you, Jan? Are you in school this summer?

**Monica:** Oh, \_\_\_\_\_ (take) Korean and Spanish again?

**Jan:** Well, I'm taking Korean again, but now \_\_\_\_\_ (start) Portuguese classes.

**Monica:** Really? That's exciting!

**3. What is another way to say each sentence?**  
Rewrite the sentences using the words in the box.

aunt

mother-in-law

uncle

granddaughter

son and daughter

wife

1. Anita is Marco's niece.

Marco is Anita's uncle.

2. John is married to Ann.

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3. My father's sister is a teacher.

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4. We have two children.

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5. My husband's mother is from Mexico.

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6. Willie and Mabel are Brooke's grandparents.

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4. Choose the correct sentences to complete the conversation.

- Yes, he is. He loves it there.
- No, I'm not. I'm living in Singapore now.
- Yes, we are. We really love Miami.
- Yes, I do. I like it a lot.
- No, they aren't. They're living in Atlanta now.

Kathy: Are you still living in Miami, Martin?

Martin: No. I'm not. I'm living in Singapore now.

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Kathy: Wow! Do you like it?

Martin: \_\_\_\_\_

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Kathy: And is your brother Still working in Seoul?

Martin: \_\_\_\_\_

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Kathy: And how about your parents? Are they Still living in Florida?

**Martin:** No. they aren't. They're living in Atlanta now. How about you and your family, Kathy? Are you still living here?

**Kathy:** \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Complete these sentences. Use the simple present or the present continuous of the verbs given.**

1. This is my cousin, Martin.

He \_\_\_\_\_ lives \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Houston, but

he \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) Peru this summer.

He \_\_\_\_\_ (take) cooking classes there.

2. And these are my parents.

They \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in Paris this year.

They \_\_\_\_\_ (be) on vacation right now.

3. Here's a photo of my grandparents.

They \_\_\_\_\_ (not work) now.

They \_\_\_\_\_ (be) retired.

4. This is my sister-in-law, Amanda.

She \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to start her own company.

She \_\_\_\_\_ (study) business in Australia right now.

5. And this is my nephew, George.

He \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to high school.

He \_\_\_\_\_ (like) history, but

he \_\_\_\_\_ (not like) chemistry.

6. Choose a friend or a family member. Write about him or her using the simple present and present continuous.

## 7. Home or away?

### A. Answer this question. Then read the passage.

1. Read the title below. What do you think a "boomerang kid" is?

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## BOOMERANG KIDS

Today in the United States, many young adults are returning home to live after they graduate from college. They are being called "boomerang kids," like the Australian hunting stick that comes back after you throw it.

Many college graduates can't find the jobs they want right away. Some also have college loans to pay back. They don't have enough money to rent expensive apartments, so they go back home to live with their parents. While they live at home, they are working at jobs with low pay and trying to save money for the future.

Meanwhile, the parents of boomerang kids are feeling the challenges of having their adult children back home. Most understand the problems their kids are having with money and accept that they're living with them again. But their relationships are different now. Some parents expect their kids to keep following their rules and to help around the house. Young adults, on the other hand, want to be independent and to make their own decisions. This creates tension between parents and kids. These boomerangs go out as kids, but they come back as adults.

**B. Check (✓) True or False. For statements that are false, write the correct information.**

Young Adults	True	False
1. "Boomerang kids" are college graduates who don't want to live at home.		
2. Many college graduates are having a difficult time finding a good job.		
3. College graduates who live at home can't save money for the future.		

Parents	True	False
4. Parents are seeing that it can be difficult to have their "boomerang kids" live at home again.		
5. Parents want to do everything for their kids like they did when they were younger.		
6. Parents and kids mostly agree about the rules and expectations of the house.		