

LANGUAGE IN ACTION

Present continuous for future

1 Complete the sentences with the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Our school is performing (perform) a musical next term.
- 2 Katie is helping (help) with the costumes after school.
- 3 Ms Wilson is teaching (teach) us the dance moves next week.
- 4 Who is writing (write) the programmes for the new musical?
- 5 I am not playing (not play) in the orchestra next time.
- 6 Are you coming (come) to watch the show tonight?

2 Write sentences with the present continuous.

- 1 the musicians / leave for London tomorrow

The musicians are leaving for London tomorrow.

- 2 they / perform three evening concerts in July

- 3 a journalist / interview the lead singer later

- 4 a TV camera operator / record tomorrow's show

- 5 the drummer / not play with the band tonight

- 6 he / fly to New York next week to study music

3 Complete the sentences with the present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

arrive cook help not come not do watch

- 1 Jonny is helping his sister with her homework later.
- 2 The boys are watching a film after school.
- 3 I am cooking pasta tonight. Who wants to come?
- 4 Helena's busy so she isn't going to the theatre.
- 5 When are the stars of the show coming?
- 6 We aren't doing anything special tonight.

Present simple for future

4 Complete the sentences with the present simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 The next show starts (start) at eight.
- 2 The singers arrive (arrive) at five in the afternoon.
- 3 Our train leaves (leave) at six the next morning.
- 4 Tomorrow's rehearsal finishes (not finish) until the evening.

5 Write questions for the answers in Exercise 4.

- 1 What time does the next show start?
- 2 When do the singers arrive?
- 3 What time leaves the train?
- 4 When finishes the rehearsal?

6 Circle the correct options.

ADAM ¹Are you doing / Do you do anything this afternoon?

AVA Yes, my big brother and I ²meet / are meeting our cousin Greg outside the club. He ³'s coming / comes to stay with us after his performance.

ADAM Ah, yes – the rapper! ⁴Don't you watch / Aren't you watching his show?

AVA I've seen it twice! We ⁵'re getting / get something to eat on the way home.

ADAM What time ⁶is the show finishing / does the show finish?

AVA It ⁷ends / 's ending at 7.30, so we ⁸'re going / go to that new Italian place. We ⁹buy / 're buying pizzas to take home for dinner!

