

II. Put the verb in the correct form, present simple or present progressive.

1. A: What _____ (you/ do)?
B: I _____ (write) to my parents. I _____ (write) to them every weekend.
 2. A: Look, it _____ (snow).
B: It's beautiful! This is the first time I've ever seen snow. It _____ (not snow) in my country.
 3. A: Oh, that's Adrian. He's new here.
B: Really? Where _____ (he/ live)? _____ (you/ know)?
A: Yes. He _____ (live) in Milan, but now he _____ (stay) with his aunt on Shirley Road.
 4. A: What time _____ (you/ usually/ finish) work?
B: Normally I _____ (finish) work at five o'clock, but this week I _____ (work) until six to earn a bit more money.
 5. A: How _____ (you/ travel) to work?
B: I haven't got a car at the moment, so I _____ (go) to work on the bus this week. Usually I _____ (drive) to work.
 6. A: I think we're going the wrong way.
B: I don't think so. The sun _____ (rise) in the east, remember. It's behind us, so we _____ (travel) west.
 7. A: _____ (you/ look) for someone?
B: Yes, I _____ (need) to speak to Neil. Is he in?
A: Yes, but I _____ (think) he's busy. He _____ (talk) to the boss at the moment.
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8. A: I _____ (want) a new computer. I _____ (save) up to buy one.
B: But computers _____ (cost) so much money. What's wrong with the one we've got?
A: It _____ (get) out of date now.
 9. A: Your new dress _____ (look) very nice.
B: Thank you. The trouble is it _____ (not/ fit) properly. I _____ (not/ know) why I bought them, really.
 10. A: What _____ (you/ do)?
B: I _____ (taste) the sauce. It _____ (taste) too salty.
 11. A: I _____ (think) this road is really dangerous. Look how fast that lorry _____ (go).
B: I _____ (agree). People shouldn't go so fast.
 12. A: My two children don't get along. It seems they _____ (always/ fight) about something.
B: Don't worry. It will be better when they _____ (grow) up.
 13. A: Could you post the goods to me, please?
B: Yes, certainly.
A: I _____ (live) at a guest house at the moment as I _____ (look) for a flat. So could you send it to my work address?
B: Yes, of course. And you'll have the goods by the end of the week, I _____ (promise)

IV. Supply the correct verb form: Present tenses.

1. Listen! I _____ (think) someone _____ (knock) at the door.
 2. We _____ (not/ know) why Sarah is upset, but she _____ (not/ speak) to us for ages.
 3. The earth _____ (circle) the sun once every 365 days.
 4. Why _____ (you/ stare) at me? I suppose you _____ (not/ see) a woman on a motorbike before!
 5. How many times _____ (you/ see) him since he went to Edinburgh?
 6. Trevor and Laura like Scabble. They _____ (play) it most evenings.
 7. The number of vehicles on the road _____ (increase).
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8. 'Sorry I'm late.' 'That's all right. I _____ (not/ wait) long.'
 9. Mrs Green always _____ (go) to work by car, but this week she _____ (travel) by bus.
 10. We _____ (be) from French. We _____ (be) there for 20 years.
 11. These flowers are dying. You _____ (not/ water) them for ages.
 12. Mai _____ (lose) her keys, so she can't get into the house.
 13. I'm afraid I _____ (not/ finish) typing those letters yet. I _____ (deal) with customers all morning.
 14. A: What _____ (your father/ do)?
B: He _____ (be) an architect but he _____ (not/work) at the moment.
 15. A: _____ (you/ ever/ see) a lion?
B: Yes, I _____ (see) it since I was a child.

V. Fill in the gaps in this letter with suitable verbs. Use the present perfect progressive or simple, or the present progressive or simple.

Dear Francesca,

We (1) are having a wonderful time here in York. We (2) _____ here for three days now and we (3) _____ to stay for the rest of the week because we (4) _____ ourselves so much. We (5) _____ the Cathedral and the Castle Museum and this morning we (6) _____ around the little old-fashioned streets, looking at the shops and cafés. I'm writing this while we stop for a cold drink before lunch. We (7) _____ much money yet but we'll get some souvenirs before we leave. Besides the sightseeing, we (8) _____ some exercise. The countryside around York is lovely and we (9) _____ some lovely long walks. Fortunately, the weather (10) _____ very good so far. People (11) _____ it can be very cold and it often (12) _____ for days! As this is the first time I (13) _____ to England. I (14) _____ I'm just lucky.

See you soon,

Roberta

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