

A PHOTOGRAPHER



COMPLETE THE TEXT USING THE PRESENT SIMPLE, PRESENT CONTINUOUS, PAST SIMPLE OR PAST CONTINUOUS FORM OF THE VERBS IN BRACKETS. THEN WATCH THE VIDEO AND CHECK IT.

This is Gonzalo. He is (be) a photographer. At the moment he is living (live) and is working (work) in New York. Every day he takes (take) photos of the city and its people.

Gonzalo came (come) to New York two years ago from Guatemala. He found (find) a job and now lives (now-live) in the east village. He has (have) a photography studio in his apartment, and he uses (use) lots of different equipment. Gonzalo loves (love) his life and his work, but he isn't (not-be) always a photographer.

'I went (go) to school for something completely different. Uh, I graduated (go) to law school. I graduated (graduate) from law school. I now (go) to UFM*, I have (have) a law degree from UFM. But when I graduated I was not happy with my choice of um career'.

Gonzalo worked (work) for a newspaper when he decided to become a photographer and move to the United States. Gonzalo now works as a professional fashion photographer. He uses several different cameras and lenses, but one camera is (be) particularly special.

'My first camera, um, actually is this one. I inherited (inherit) it from my grandfather. He passed (pass) away when I was (be) seven years old. My grandfather was (be) German. This is (be) a German camera. It's a Leica M2 it's still in mint condition. I treasure it so much. I barely use it but I mean it takes amazing quality photographs still ... so it's pretty cool.'

Today Gonzalo takes (take) photographs of a model for a famous fashion website. But Gonzalo likes to photograph - or 'shoot' - lots of different things. What are his favourite?

'My favourite things to shoot, um, that's a very tough question because I shoot a lot of things. I love (love) to shoot portraits. I love to shoot the street, I am (be) a big sports fan. So, uh, I like to shoot sports a lot.'

Photography isn't always easy. Gonzalo travels (travel) a lot and at the moment he works (work) on three different jobs. So why does he enjoy his job?

'It entertains me. It distracts me. it stops me from worrying about my everyday troubles or my stress or anything. So I enjoy it. I enjoy it, you know.'

For Gonzalo every day is different and in a city like New York there's always something new and exciting to photograph.

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LOOK AT THE SCRIPT AND FIND THE FOLLOWING WORDS. WHAT PART OF SPEECH (SUBJECT – VERB – OBJECT – MANNER – PLACE – TIME) DOES IT BELONG TO? MAKE THE QUESTIONS FOR THESE ANSWERS.

- a) NEW YORK
- b) HIS LIFE AND HIS WORK
- c) HIS GRANDFATHER
- d) TO LAW SCHOOL
- e) SEVERAL
- f) FOR A NEWSPAPER
- g) TWO YEARS AGO