

adverbs of frequency, time phrases

Match these adverbs or time phrases with those with a similar meaning below (1–6).

every day frequently hardly ever most days now and then once a month

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| 1 occasionally | 4 always |
| 2 rarely | 5 every four weeks |
| 3 usually | 6 often |

Rewrite the sentences. Put the adverb or time phrase in brackets in the correct place.

- My parents go to the cinema. (hardly ever)
.....
- We don't eat at restaurants because my brother is too little. (often)
.....
- Is the museum closed on Sundays? (always)
.....
- I find my way without using a map. (usually)
.....
- I don't go to the city centre. (on weekdays)
.....
- We travel by train. (rarely)
.....

Write true sentences about you. They can be positive or negative.

- take the bus / often
.....
- meet my friends after school / every day
.....
- go to the same café / always
.....
- choose my own clothes in shops / usually
.....
- be late for school / all the time
.....
- get lost / often
.....

Complete the text with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

Young chefs



Antonio comes from Brazil, but at the moment he ¹..... (visit) his aunt in Brighton. He ²..... (stay) with his English aunt for the school holidays. He ³..... (like) his aunt very much, so today he ⁴..... (want) to cook dinner for her.

Antonio says:

'English food ⁵..... (taste) very different from the food back home. To be honest, I think it is a bit boring. So today I ⁶..... (make) a traditional Brazilian meal for my aunt to try. I ⁷..... (use) a recipe I found on the internet. It ⁸..... (look) good in the photos, so let's hope she likes it!'



present simple and present continuous

Complete the sentences with the present simple or present continuous form of these verbs. Use the same verb for both gaps.

eat listen play snow study tidy watch wear

- 1 We usually volleyball but at the moment we basketball.
- 2 Today she jeans, but most of the time she a skirt.
- 3 I often cereal for breakfast, but this morning I toast.
- 4 Today Peter to the radio, although he usually to music on his MP3 player.
- 5 We tennis from Wimbledon on the TV now.
We it every year.
- 6 That's strange – look, it outside. It never in June!
- 7 My sister her room at the moment – she only it once a week.
- 8 My friends and I often together but today we on our own.

Complete the questions to a friend. Use *you* and the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 What (listen) to? It sounds like a group that I know.
- 2 You look worried. What (think) about?
- 3 (understand) the homework? Can you explain it to me?
- 4 Are you reading the new Elena Rose book? What (think) of it?
- 5 Why (talk) to me that way? Are you upset?
- 6 (often / listen) to classical music?
- 7 I'm not sure I understand. What (mean)?
- 8 What's Madrid like? (have) a good time?