

1. Complete the sentences using *the Present Simple or Present Continuous* form of the verb in brackets.

1. I can't come to the cinema. I ... any homework. (do) 2. What ... the children ... in the garden? (do) 3. I usually ... my homework in the evening. (do) 4. What ... you ... in the evenings? (do) 5. You can't go outside. You ... any shoes. (not wear) 6. The sky is cloudy. Why ... you ... sunglasses? (wear) 7. She ... uniform at work. (not wear) 8. She can't answer the phone because she ... her hair. (wash) 9. How often ... she ... her hair? (wash) 10. I ... out this evening because I've got a headache. (not go)! 11. You can't listen to music because the stereo ... (not work) 12. My parents aren't here at the moment. They ... golf. (play) 13. They always ... at weekends. (play) 14. What's the matter? Why ... you ... (cry) 15. Children always ... when they are hungry. (cry) 16. They ... this afternoon because they're both very tired. (not work) 17. We don't want to leave the party. We ... to a very interesting person. (talk) 18. My children ... English at the moment. (learn) 19. 'Be quiet! I ... (watch) this film!' 20. We usually ... (take) the bus to town, but today we ... (go) by car. 21. A: Where ... you usually ... (go) on Friday evenings? B: To a disco. 22. A: It's 11.30. Why ... you ... (work) so late? B: Because I ... (have) a lot of homework. 23. A: Where ... your parents ... ? (live) B: In a small village near Oxford. 24. A: What ... you usually ... (have) for breakfast? B: Toast. But today I ... (have) some fruit because there isn't any bread. 25. A: The telephone ... (ring). Can you answer it? B: OK.

2. Open the brackets and put the verb into *the Present Indefinite or the Present Continuous Tense*.

1. Be quiet, please. We (work) at the translation and you (make) a lot of noise. 2. He always (go) for a walk in the evening. 3. Where is Jack? — He (meet) his girlfriend at the station. She (come) at 12 o'clock. 4. She (cry). Is something wrong? 5. In the morning I (have) little time, so I (take) a shower in the evening. 6. A decade (describe) a period of ten years. 7. Her brother (work) in Canada at present. 8. She always (dream) but (do) nothing to realize her dreams. 9. He (be) so suspicious to me at the moment. I wonder why. 10. Hurry up, Jane! We all (wait) for you. 11. Turn off the gas. Don't you see the kettle (boil)? 12. The children are still ill but they (get) better gradually. 13. Don't bother her. She (take) her French lesson: she always (take) it in the morning. 14. The living standards (change). Every month things (get) more expensive. 15. Tom and Mary (leave) for the Netherlands tomorrow. 16. I have just started English courses. I (study) English grammar. 17. Mercury (boil) at 357.25 degrees Centigrade. 18. We must buy new plates. — It's useless. You always (break) plates. 19. It (surprise) me that they can't sell their flat. 20. A woman who (look) after other people's children is a nanny.

3. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form of the *Present Simple or the Present Continuous*.

1 He can't come with us because he (have) a broken arm. 2 (your friend/know) how to sky surf? 3 A: (you/enjoy) the trip? B: Yes, thanks. It's great. 4 A: Where's Tim? B: He (look) at the view from the bridge. 5 I (love) bungee jumping. 6 We (realise) it's quite a dangerous sport. 7 He (not/learn) to snowboard. 8 They (hate) all extreme sports. 9 They (not/understand) why we go mountaineering. 10. He (think) about his sister. She's taking her driving test today. 11. I (see) there is a problem in this department. 12. I (see) my doctor in the afternoon. 13. Mr. Jones (think) he should open a branch in Berlin. 14. He (think) of opening a branch in Berlin. 15. Ann (have) three houses. 16. We (have) problems with the new employee. 17. He (look) as if he's going to say something really important. 18. Why you (look) at last month's sales figures?

4. Complete the sentences with *the Present Simple* or *Present Continuous* tense of the verbs in brackets.

1. I (*think*) you already (*know*) my views on the matter. 2. I'm tired of working in an office. I (*think*) of changing my job. 3. I just (*smelt*) your roses. They (*not smell*) wonderful? 4. I gradually (*forget*) all the physics I ever learnt at school. 5. You (*see*) that house over there? No, not there! You (*not look*) where my finger (*point*). 6. I (*not hear*) anything. You just (*imagine*) things. 7. The court (*hear*) this particular part of the evidence in private. 8. I just (*taste*) the cocktail to see if there's enough gin in it. How it (*taste*) to you? 9. I (*think*) my daughter (*see*) too much of that young man these days, and I (*not approve*) of it. 10. Don't take his remarks too seriously. He's so upset that I (*not think*) he really (*know*) what he (*say*). 11. The monument (*stand*) on a hill overlooking the town. 12. You (*realize*) that you (*stand*) on my toe?

5. Each sentence has a mistake. Find it and correct it.

1. What you doing? 2. Sally has breakfast at the moment. 3. They no coming to the party this evening. 4 I'm not understanding what you mean. 5. He's driving to work every day. 6. John don't like dancing.

6. Write the correct form of the *Present Simple*, the *Present Continuous* or the *Present Perfect*.

My friend Mike ¹ (live) in Cambridge but each winter he ² (go) to Spain. He ³ (attend) several Spanish language courses since he started going there and now he ⁴ (speak) Spanish quite well. While he is in Spain, he ⁵ (go) mountain climbing and he ⁶ (climb) all the important mountains at least once. Unfortunately, he broke his leg last month so at the moment he ⁷ (read) and ⁸ (watch) a lot of television. Usually he ⁹ (not watch) much television, but since his accident he ¹⁰ (see) at Least two films every day.

7. Complete the sentences with the *Present Perfect Continuous* form of the verbs in brackets.

1. Sorry, I'm late. (you/wait) long? 2. A: You look tired. B: Yes, I (not/sleep) very well. 3. He (work) harder this term and his marks are better. 4. You're very wet. (it/rain)? 5. They (not/learn) Spanish very long.

8. Complete the sentences with either the *Present Perfect Simple* or the *Present Perfect Continuous* form of the verbs in brackets.

1. He's late because he (help) his father. 2. You can borrow my bike now that I (repair) it. 3. She passed her driving test in 1953 so she (drive) for over fifty years. 4. My legs hurt because I (run). 5. They (decide) to walk into town. 6. I don't want to see that film. I (see) it twice. 7. They (build) the new bypass since 2000 - I don't think they'll ever finish it. 8. This phone bill is enormous! (you/phone) your friends in Australia? 9. Here's Susan. She (arrive) at last. Now we can start. 10. She (go) to judo classes recently and she really likes it.

9. Correct the mistakes in these sentences.

1. A: Has Lucy always wanted to be a TV presenter? B: Yes, she does. Ever since she was 16 years old. 2. Lucy is knowing lots of different people. She meets them on her show. 3. She recently interviews a boyband from the USA. 4. Her appearance is important so she buys often new clothes. 5. It's 4.30 a.m., but Lucy isn't wanting to get up. 6. She isn't needing to eat breakfast. She's had a bar of chocolate. 7. Look! Someone famous arrives at the studio. 8. At the moment they watch breakfast TV.