

GRAMMAR

Present simple and present continuous

- 1 Complete the table with examples of the present simple and present continuous from the two emails.

Present simple	Present continuous
<i>I often make people laugh</i>	<i>I'm learning to play the keyboard</i>

- 2 Look at the examples in Exercise 1 and complete the rules.

- 1 We use the present _____ to talk about things happening now, around now and at the moment.
- 2 We use the present _____ to talk about things that are always true or happen regularly.

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- 3 Choose the correct form of the verb.

- 1 I *watch / am watching* Spartak Moscow play football every week.
- 2 What *do you usually eat / are you usually eating* for dinner?
- 3 Sorry, I can't talk now, I'm busy. I'm *practising / practise* the piano.
- 4 We *learned / are learning* about rivers last term, and now we *learn / are learning* about forests.
- 5 I'm quite lazy – I *don't always do / 'm not always doing* my homework.
- 6 My dad *is teaching / teaches* me how to play tennis at the moment.

- 4 Correct the mistakes in the sentences.

- 1 It rains a lot at the moment.
- 2 In my free time, I'm usually going to the cinema.
- 3 I sell my English book. Would you like to buy it?
- 4 Right now, I watch basketball.
- 5 I'm usually wearing a jacket, even when it's hot.
- 6 We are swimming and sunbathing every day.

- 5 Work with a partner. Look at the photos on page 10. Say what the people are doing. Then say how often / when you do the activities in the photos.

She's playing the guitar.

I never play the guitar, but I sometimes play the piano.

- 6 Imagine you are writing an email like Grace's and Daniel's. Make notes. Think of some:

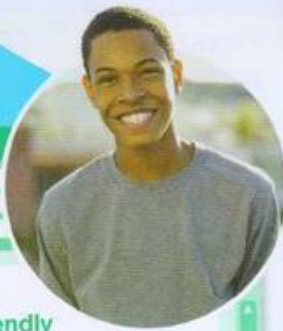
- adjectives to describe yourself
- sports and hobbies you usually do
- things you are learning / planning / doing now.

Now write your email.

To: Mr Jones
From: Daniel
Subject: The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

I'd love to do The Duke of Edinburgh's Award. I'm a **friendly** person and I'm **popular** at school. I'm **funny** – I often make people laugh, but I work hard and I'm **polite** to the teachers.

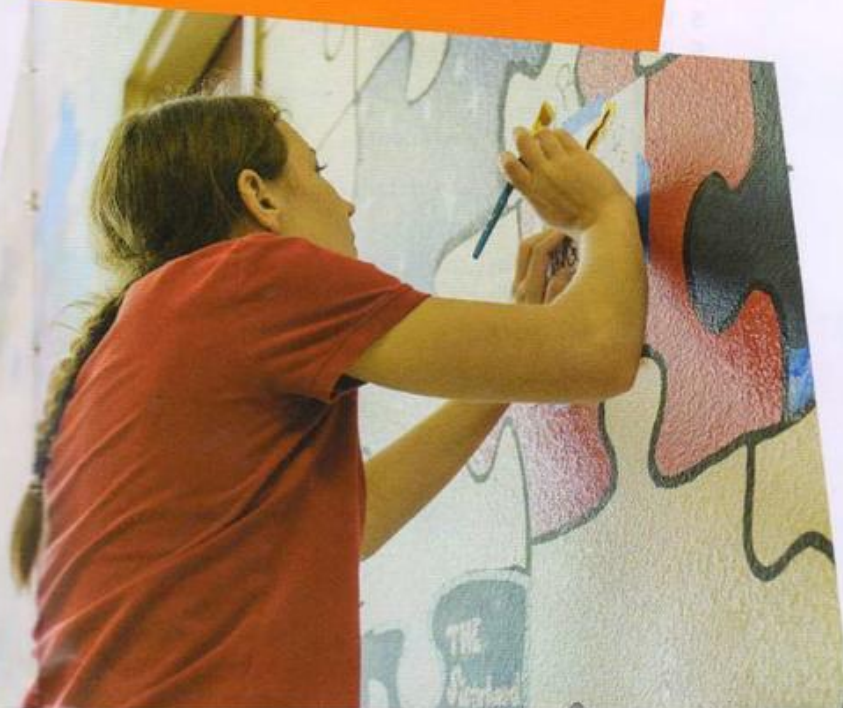
Music is important to me. I'm good at the guitar and I'm learning to play the keyboard. I'm a very **active** person – I play hockey and go swimming every week. I'm also teaching my brother to swim.



To: Mr Jones
From: Grace
Subject: The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

I hope I can do this award. I'm a **quiet** person – I don't talk much, but I'm very **creative**. Art is my favourite subject. At the moment, I'm doing a big painting, and it's going well.

I like to be busy – I'm not a **lazy** person. I'm also **helpful**. My neighbour's quite old, and I often go shopping with her. She always tells me I'm **kind**. It's her birthday soon. My mum and I are planning a party for her, but she doesn't know about it!



VOCABULARY

Adjectives of personality

- 1 Put the letters in the correct order to make adjectives. The first letter is given.

0 n y u n f	<u>funny</u>
1 l o p e i t	p _____
2 p f l h u e	h _____
3 r f i n e y l d	f _____
4 l o u p r a p	p _____
5 t a v c e i	a _____
6 n i d k	k _____
7 z a y l	l _____
8 u e t i q	q _____
9 r e v i a c t e	c _____

- 2 Complete the sentences with words in Exercise 1.

- 0 People always laugh at his stories. He's funny.
- 1 On Saturdays, he gets up late and watches TV or funny videos online all day. He's _____.
- 2 She smiles all the time and talks to everyone. She's _____.
- 3 He always says 'please' and 'thank you' and listens to his teachers. He's _____.
- 4 He cleans his mum's car and always offers to wash the dishes. He's _____.
- 5 Everyone likes her and wants to be her friend. She's _____.
- 6 They go walking or cycling most weekends. They're _____.
- 7 She makes her own clothes and she loves drawing. She's _____.
- 8 He's never angry and always says nice things to people. He's _____.
- 9 She doesn't talk a lot and likes reading and painting. She's _____.

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- 1 Add the words and phrases in the box to the table. Do we usually use them with the present simple or present continuous?

at the moment every Monday now often
this week today twice a week usually

Present simple

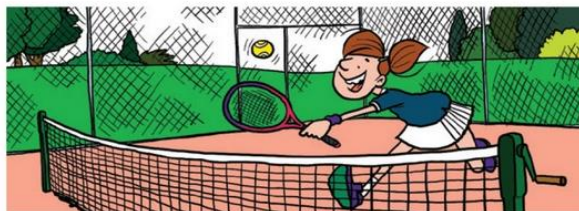
usually

Present continuous

- 2 Complete the sentences with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



- 0 Jake usually reads stories about detectives. He 's reading one about a football player now. (read)



- 1 My sister _____ tennis at school every Monday. She _____ in the park today. (play)



- 2 Mum often _____ to music on the radio. But at the moment she _____ to it on her phone. (listen)



- 3 My brother usually _____ his homework in his room. He _____ it in the library today. (do)



- 4 My sister _____ violin lessons twice a week. This week she _____ a piano lesson, too. (have)