

Use of English

Strategy

Open cloze tasks might test you on collocations (words which usually go together). Prepare yourself by learning collocations.

5 Read the **Strategy**. Match the verbs below to 1–5.

do have make share take

- 1 make your bed / friends / a phone call
- 2 have an argument / a rest / breakfast
- 3 do your best / the cleaning / your homework
- 4 share a pizza / the bills / a room
- 5 take someone's advice / an exam / medicine

6 Read the email and complete each gap with ONE word.

Hi Matt,

Help! Why did I decide to have ¹ _____ a _____ party? It's four o'clock and I'm still getting the house ready! I ² _____ have _____ tidied the living room, but there's still a lot to do! I ³ _____ haven't _____ cleaned the floors yet, and I need to finish making the food.

⁴ _____ Has _____ Darren phoned you? ⁵ _____ Is _____ he be here this evening? Does he know the party starts ⁶ _____ at _____ eight o'clock?

Can you ⁷ _____ take _____ me a favour? I've done the shopping, but I ⁸ _____ made _____ a mistake at the supermarket – I forgot to buy some bread! Can you get some?

See you later.

Vicky

PS I've decorated the cake so we don't need to worry

⁹ _____ about _____ that. 😊

PPS Oh no! I've ¹⁰ _____ just _____ remembered something else! I need to clean the bathroom!

Speaking

Strategy

Learn positive and negative adjectives for people, places and things so that you can use a variety of adjectives when you compare two pictures.

- 7 Read the **Strategy**. Write the adjectives in the correct place in the table.

attractive awful cosy light relaxing ugly
uncomfortable untidy

Positive	Negative
Attractive Cosy Light relaxing	Awful Ugly Uncomfortable Untidy

8 Compare and contrast the two rooms below. Where do you study at home? Where do you relax?



Writing

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9 Read the **Strategy**. Complete the sentences with the words below.

at in nearby next on upstairs

- 1 There are two big rooms _____ On _____ the second floor.
- 2 There's a swimming pool _____ nearby _____. It takes about five minutes to walk there.
- 3 There's a small bathroom downstairs, and there's a bigger bathroom _____ upstairs _____.
- 4 The kitchen is _____ in _____ the front of the house.
- 5 I live _____ in _____ a small village.
- 6 The house is _____ next _____ to a park.

10 Think of a home that you know well (but not your own home). Write a description. Include information about the points below.

- who lives there
- the location
- the rooms
- when you last went there and what you did

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1 Look at the pictures and complete the chart with the phrases below. Then complete sentences 1–5 with the information from the chart.

I love I don't like I don't mind I like I can't stand
I hate I'm really keen on



I love _____

I am really keen on _____



I like _____



I don't mind _____



I don't like _____



I can't stand _____

I hate _____



1 I can't stand swimming .

2 I'm really keen on dancing .

3 I don't mind chess.

4 I like football.

5 I don't like video games.

2 Complete the dialogue with the phrases below. More than one answer may be possible.

can't stand hate don't mind quite like really keen love
terrible isn't bad is great

Kim So, are you excited about the start of school?

Dave No, I'm not really excited. I ¹ don't mind school, but it's not my favourite thing in the world.

Kim We're very different. I ² love school! I really enjoy learning new things. What subjects do you like?

Dave I ³ don't mind/quite like IT, because I'm interested in computers. And there's one subject I really enjoy – drama. I'm ⁴ really keen on drama. I think acting ⁵ is great.

Kim Really? We're very different that way too.

I ⁶ Can't stand/hate drama. I just get too scared in front of people. What do you think of maths?

Dave I really don't like it. Actually, I ⁷ Can't stand/hate maths! I just can't understand it. It's ⁸ terrible!

Kim Different again! I like maths, and I enjoy science a lot too.

Dave OK, science ⁹ isn't bad. It's actually kind of interesting.

Kim Well, I'm happy we agree on something ...

3 Read definitions 1–9 and match them with the activities below.



cycling volleyball chess ice hockey board games
basketball swimming drawing video games

- 1 a game where you bounce a ball and try to throw it through a hoop basketball
- 2 making pictures with a pencil or pen drawing
- 3 exercising in water swimming
- 4 a game with 32 pieces on a board, including a king and queen chess
- 5 games with pieces that you play on a table boardgames
- 6 games you play on a computer or TV screen Video games
- 7 riding a bike cycling
- 8 a game you play on ice with a long stick Ice hockey
- 9 a game where you hit a ball with your hands over a high net volleyball

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Grammar

6 Complete the sentences with the present perfect affirmative form of the verbs below.

be come eat finish make meet see take

- 1 We 've seen this programme. Can we watch something different?
- 2 Do you want to stay for lunch? My sister has made a lasagne.
- 3 I'm tired. It 's been a long day.
- 4 The film has finished. I'm going to bed.
- 5 I can't make a sandwich because you 've eaten all the bread.
- 6 My mum can't give me a lift to the station because my dad has taken the car.
- 7 It's my birthday, so my grandparents have come to my house for dinner.
- 8 I know you; I 've met you before.

Mark: / 8

7 Complete the dialogue with the correct present perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

Trisha ¹ Have I told _____ you about my sister, Judy?
(I / tell)

Judy No, I don't think so.

Trisha She ² _____'s bought _____ a new flat. (buy)

Judy That's great! Is she living there yet?

Trisha No, she ³ _____ hasn't moved _____ in yet. (not move)
But she ⁴ _____'s packed _____ most of her
things. (pack)

Judy ⁵ Have you seen _____ her new flat? (you / see)

Trisha No, I ⁶ _____ haven't had _____ time. (not have)

Judy Is she decorating the flat before she moves?

Trisha Yes, Mum and Dad are helping her paint.

Judy ⁷ Have they finished _____ ? (they / finish)

Trisha No, they ⁸ _____ haven't painted _____ the living room
yet. (not paint)

Judy When is your sister going to move?

Trisha This weekend!

Mark: / 8

8 Circle the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 I've **just** / **yet** got home! The traffic was awful.
- 2 Take your time. The match hasn't started **already** / **yet**.
- 3 We aren't hungry. We've **already** / **yet** eaten.
- 4 Dinner's ready. Have you set the table **just** / **yet**?
- 5 It's too late to give me your dirty clothes. I've **already** / **yet** done the washing.
- 6 Don't talk to Laura. She's **just** / **yet** got up.

Mark: / 6

Use of English

9 Complete the text with the words below.

already comfortable do have just large make small
take yet

The owner of a house in north London has
1_ just _____ finished getting it ready to sell. The house
is cheaper than most houses in the capital because
it's very 2_ small _____ – only 25 m². There is only one
room in the house. The new owners will sleep on a
bed on a 3_ large _____ shelf above the floor. They will
4_ make _____ dinner in the 'kitchen' under the bed.
It won't be easy for them to 5_ have _____ a shower,
because it's impossible to move in the 'bathroom'. They
won't want to spend much time in the house because
the 'living room' isn't very 6_ comfortable _____ ; there are
only two stools to sit on. But the good thing is that they
won't have to 7_ do _____ much cleaning! The owner
decided to 8_ take _____ some photos to advertise the
house, and it looks quite cosy. He has 9_ already _____
received a lot of phone calls about it, but he hasn't sold
it 10_ yet _____ .

Mark: / 10

Total: / 65

Student's own answer

I can ...

Read the statements. Think about your progress and tick one of the boxes.

★ = I need more practice.

★★ = I sometimes find this difficult.

★★★ = No problem!

	★	★★	★★★
I can describe different kinds of furniture.			
I can talk about recent events using the present perfect.			
I can understand words which sound different in connected speech.			
I can talk about recent events.			
I can use <i>do, make, have, take and bring</i> .			
I can understand a text about a remote island home.			
I can compare two photos.			
I can write a description of a home.			



Grit

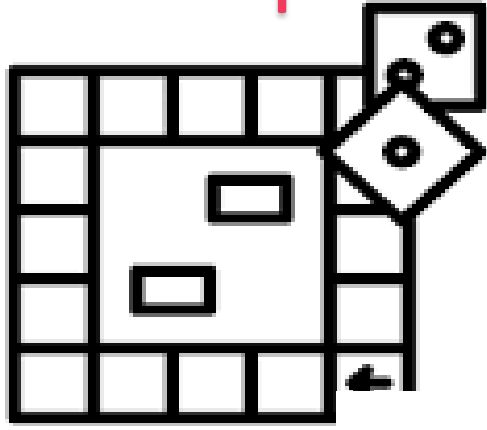




Make Yes/No questions with present con.



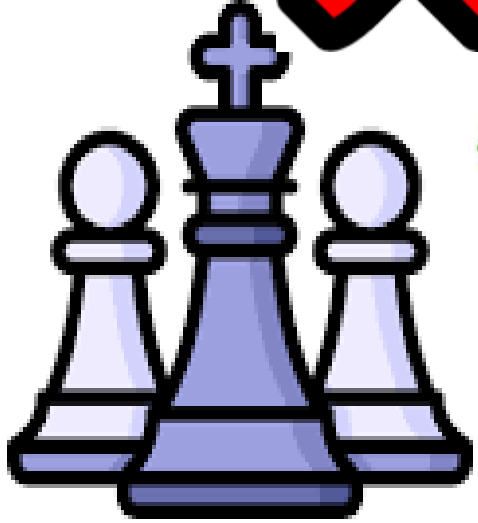
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Sara



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Anna and Jack



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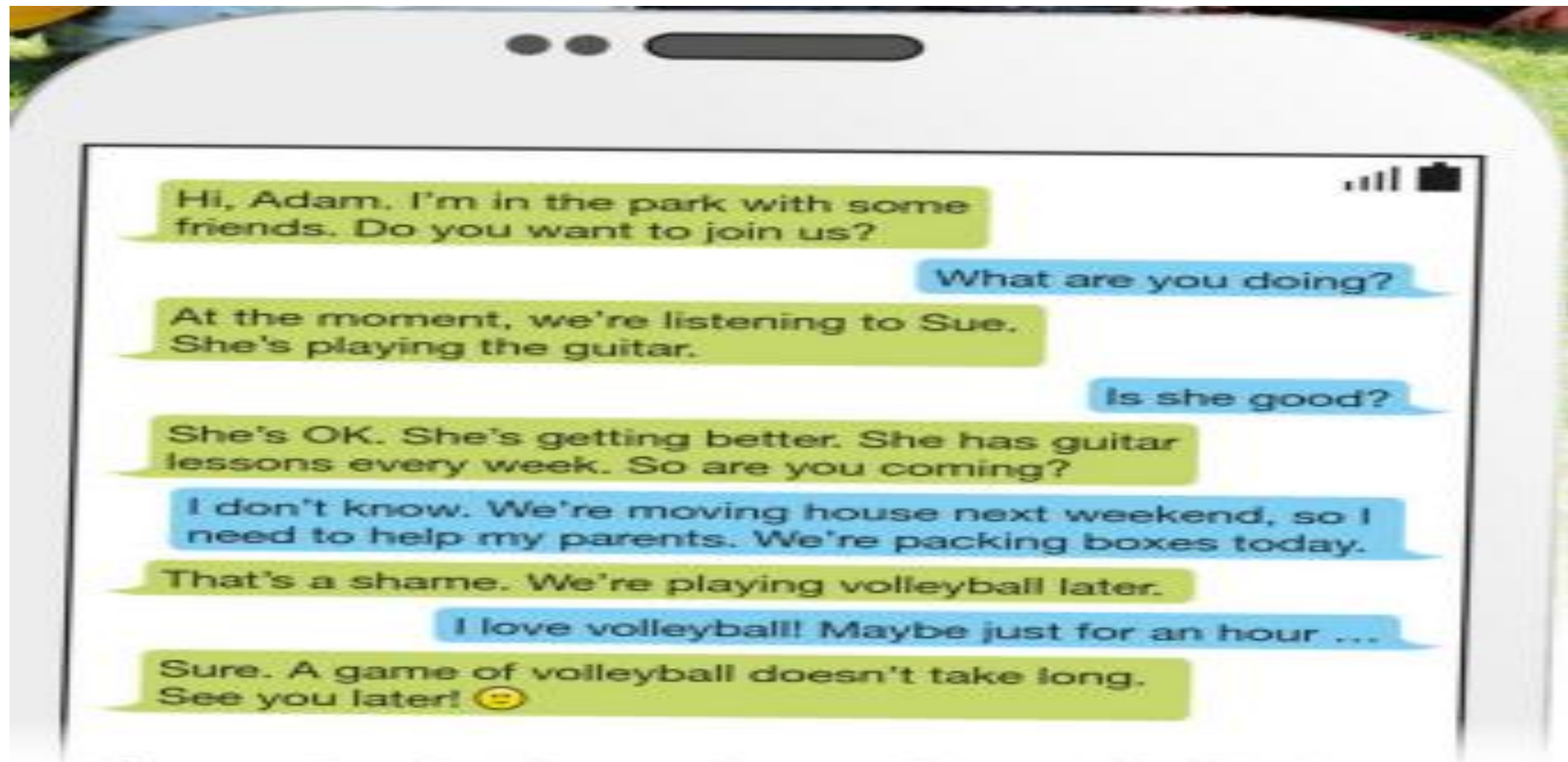


Rose



Talk about this picture





- 1 Describe the photo. What are the people doing?
Use the verbs below.

laugh play sit smile wear

The girl on the left is playing the guitar.

1-what is Sue doing?

2-How often does Sue have guitar lessons?

3-what does that a shame mean? **If you say that something is a shame, you are expressing your regret about it and indicating that you wish it had happened differently.**

4-Guess Does He join them ?

change someone's mind

: to cause someone to change an opinion or decision

- 2 Read the messages above. Why does Adam change his mind about going to the park? Because He loves volleyball.

LEARN THIS! Present tense contrast

We use:

- a the ¹ **present simple** for something that happens regularly, always or never.
- b the ² **Present continuous** for something happening at this moment.
- c the ³ **Present continuous** for something happening around this time.
- d the ⁴ **Present simple** for stating a fact.
- e the ⁵ **Present simple** with certain verbs that we do not usually use in continuous tenses: *believe, know, like, love, need, understand, want, etc.*
- f the ⁶ **Present continuous** for future arrangements.

- 3 Find examples of the present simple and present continuous in the messages in exercise 2. Then read the **Learn this!** box and complete the rules.

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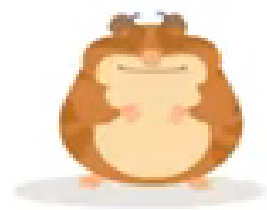
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2. It (not rain) at the moment.
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4. She always (go) to school by bike.
5. Pst! The baby (sleep).
6. Tom always (get up) early in the morning.
7. Look! Peter (juggle).
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9. She often (eat) meat.
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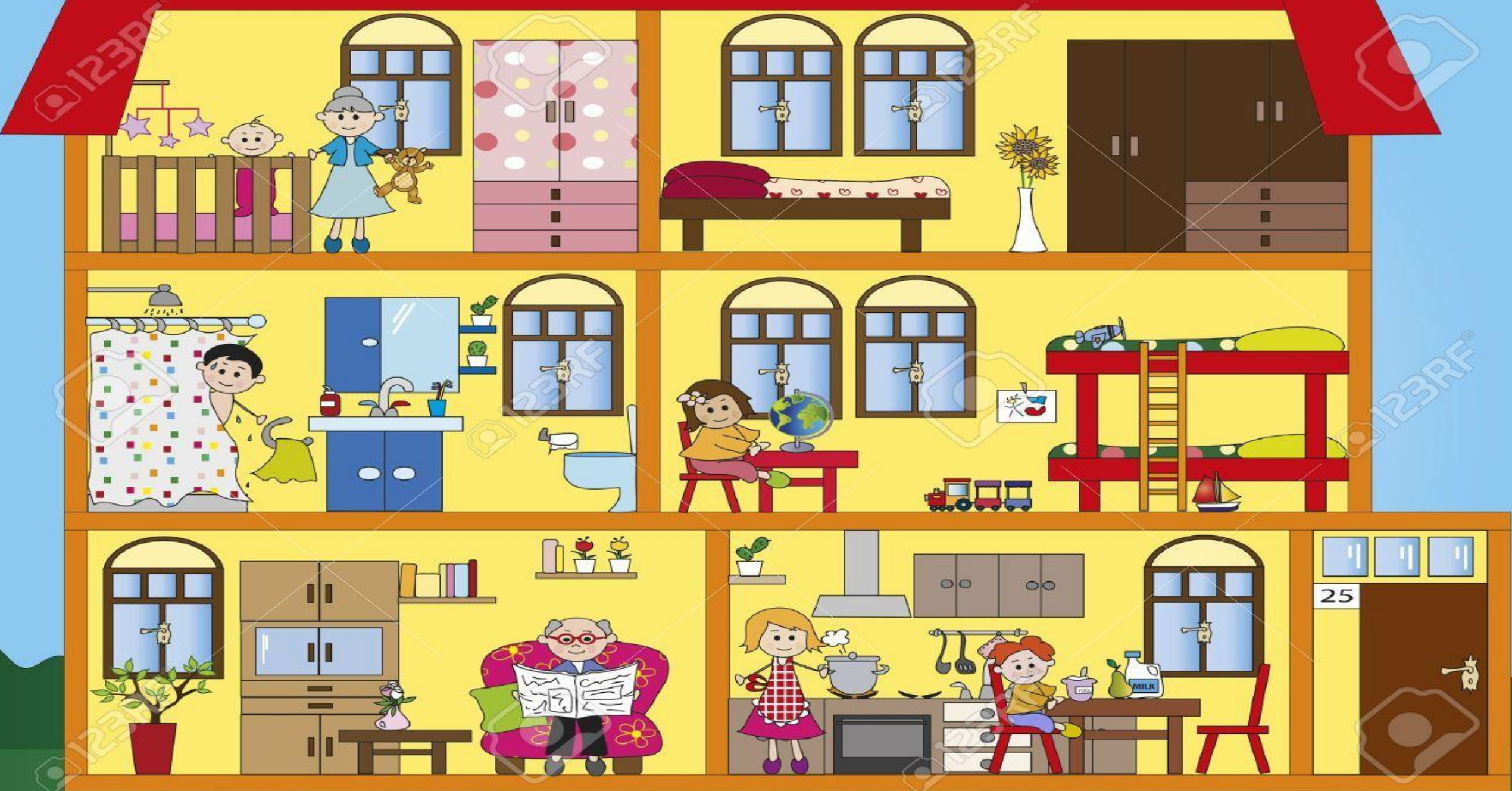
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2nd session







Talk about this picture in two groups



- 4 Match each example you found in the messages with the correct rule (a–f) in the **Learn this!** box.
- 5 Work in pairs. Explain the difference between sentences a and b in each pair.
- 1 a I'm doing my homework after school.
b I do my homework after school.
- 2 a Joe is learning to drive.
b Many teenagers learn to drive when they are seventeen.
- 3 a Mark plays the guitar.
b Mark is playing the guitar.
- 4 a We aren't going on holiday in August.
b We don't go on holiday in August.



6  **1.03** Complete the phone dialogue. Use the correct present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets. Then listen and check.

Toby Hi!

Leia Hi, Toby. What ¹ *are you doing* (you / do)?

Toby I'm at the sports centre. I ² *am waiting* (wait) for Tom.

Leia ³ *Are you going* (you / go) swimming?

Toby No, we ⁴ *Are playing* (play) table tennis. We ⁵ *play* (play) every Saturday morning. But he's really late!

Leia What ⁶ *is he doing* (he / do)?

Toby I ⁷ *don't know* (not know). He ⁸ *isn't answering* (not answer) his phone. Anyway, where are you?

Leia I'm at the shopping centre, but I ⁹ *'m not buying* (not buy) anything today. I ¹⁰ *'m* just *looking* (look).

Toby ¹¹ *Do you like* (you / like) table tennis?

¹² *Do you want* (you / want) to play?

Leia Sure! But I ¹³ *'m not wearing* (not wear) sports clothes.

Toby ¹⁴ *Are you wearing* (you / wear) trainers?

Leia Yes, I am – with jeans and a T-shirt.

Toby That's fine. You ¹⁵ *don't need* (not need) sports clothes. See you soon!

- 7 SPEAKING** Work in pairs. Ask and answer questions 1–6. Use the activities below or your own ideas.

Everyday activities do [my] homework go shopping
go for a walk / a bike ride have a picnic listen to music
play football / tennis / video games read a book
visit friends / relatives watch a film / TV

- 1 What do you usually do after school?
- 2 What are you doing after school today?
- 3 What do you usually do at the weekend?
- 4 What are you doing this weekend?
- 5 What do you usually do during the school holidays?
- 6 What are you doing next school holiday?

What do you usually do after school?

I listen to music at home.

Home work

IB Contrast: present simple and continuous

- 1** Complete the sentences with the present simple affirmative form of the verbs below. ➡ **I.1, I.2**

go have live miss play study visit watch

- 1 My aunt _____ in Scotland.
- 2 Carl _____ his grandparents every weekend.
- 3 Audrey _____ TV in her bedroom every evening.
- 4 My mum's a scientist: she _____ climate change.
- 5 Brooklyn _____ the piano really well.
- 6 My cousin _____ to school in Switzerland.
- 7 Now that she's at secondary school, she _____ her old teachers from primary school.
- 8 Grace _____ double maths every Tuesday.

2 Make the sentences negative. ➔ I.1

- 1 Sophie has a guitar lesson every Saturday.
Sophie doesn't have a guitar lesson every Saturday.
- 2 My cat likes cheese.
- 3 Jack and Ellie live near the city centre.
- 4 Maya goes bowling every weekend.
- 5 My next-door neighbours work in London.
- 6 Amelia wears sports clothes at home.



3 Look at the picture and correct the sentences. Use the verbs in brackets. ➡ I.3, I.4

1 The woman in a dress is cooking. (eat)
She isn't cooking. She's eating.

2 The old man is reading. (sleep)

3 The two girls are skateboarding. (read)

4 The dog is drinking water. (play)

5 The man with the hat is washing. (cook)

6 The two boys are playing volleyball. (chat)

4 Circle the correct tense. ➡ I.5, I.6, I.7

- 1 Cats **sleep** / **are sleeping** for about sixteen hours a day.
- 2 Mason **walks** / **is walking** to school every day.
- 3 Jack and Emily **don't belong** / **aren't belonging** to our sports club.
- 4 Don't forget your scarf – it **snows** / **it's snowing**.
- 5 I **meet** / **I'm meeting** Paul for a coffee this afternoon.
- 6 Why **do you wear** / **are you wearing** shorts? It's cold today!
- 7 He's laughing, but he **doesn't understand** / **isn't understanding** the joke.
- 8 Let's continue with the game. I **have** / **I'm having** fun!

5 Complete the dialogue. Use the correct present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

➡ I.5, I.6, I.7

- Ryan Hi, Ava. What ¹ _____ (you / do)?
- Ava I ² _____ (look) for a present for Laura.
I ³ _____ (go) to her party tomorrow night.
- Ryan Me too. But I ⁴ _____ usually _____
(not buy) her a birthday present.
- Ava I ⁵ _____ (want) to get her something.
⁶ _____ (she / like) DVDs?
- Ryan She ⁷ _____ (prefer) books, I think. She
⁸ _____ (read) the *Twilight* novels at the
moment. Maybe she would like a new one.
- Ava Great idea. Thanks!

6 Complete the sentences with *a / an, the* or no article.

➔ **I.8, I.9, I.10, I.11**

- 1 There's ___ zoo and ___ wildlife park near my home, but ___ wildlife park isn't open in the winter.
- 2 Don't use ___ DVD player, it's broken.
- 3 Can you pass me my sunglasses, please? They're on ___ table.
- 4 I've got ___ computer and ___ laptop, but I have to share ___ laptop with my brother.
- 5 My sister is at ___ home. She's playing ___ guitar.
- 6 My dad is ___ teacher and my mum is ___ doctor.
- 7 There's ___ CD player in my room so I can lie in ___ bed and listen to ___ music.
- 8 Do you want to go to ___ cinema this evening, or watch ___ TV at ___ home?

7 Complete the sentences with *the* or no article. Remember: we do not use *the* with generalisations. ➔ I.12

- 1 Children need ___ milk for healthy teeth and bones.
- 2 I love the UK, but I don't like ___ weather here.
- 3 On holiday, I prefer to stay in ___ nice hotels.
- 4 I'm not a sports fan, but ___ table tennis is fun.
- 5 It's freezing, but the children are enjoying ___ snow.
- 6 At school, students learn how to use ___ computers.
- 7 I'm not interested in ___ science fiction films.
- 8 These dancers are great but I don't really like ___ music.

Find simple present and present progressive in fight song.



1 Complete the dialogues with the correct present simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 A: _____ (you / go) to the gym every day?
B: No, I _____ (not go) every day.
I _____ (go) three times a week.
- 2 A: _____ (Sam / study) at your school?
B: No, he _____ (not study) there. He
_____ (study) at a private school.
- 3 A: Does your mother _____ (teach) English?
B: Yes, she does. She also _____ (teach) French
and Spanish. She _____ (be) very good at
languages.
- 4 A: _____ (your parents / work) in London?
B: No, they don't. They both _____ (work) in
Oxford.
- 5 A: _____ (you / practise) much before you
perform a new play?
B: Yes, we _____ (practise) for weeks
before the first performance, and the director
_____ (make) a lot of changes.

- 2 Complete the voice message with the correct present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

Hi Steve! It's Sean. How are things? I hope you are well. ¹ _____ (you / have) a good time in Hull? I ² _____ (call) from my grandparents' house in Cornwall. My sister and I ³ _____ (stay) here for a couple of weeks, and we ⁴ _____ (enjoy) it a lot. I ⁵ _____ (plan) to study for my exams later, but now I ⁶ _____ (relax). I'm not totally lazy, though - I ⁷ _____ (run) every morning. Jake and I ⁸ _____ (think) about spending a month in Spain. Would you like to go with us? Let me know! Well, the sun ⁹ _____ (shine) so I think I'll go for a walk. Bye!

3 Match sentences a–f with the uses of the present tense (1–6).

- 1 something that happens regularly
- 2 verbs not used in continuous tenses
- 3 something happening at this moment
- 4 stating a fact or law
- 5 something happening around this time
- 6 a future plan

- a I am leaving for London at 6 a.m. tomorrow.
- b The Earth goes around the sun.
- c I always play basketball on Saturdays.
- d They are spending a lot of time together these days.
- e I need some help with homework.
- f Look outside – it's snowing!

4 Complete the sentences with the correct present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Josh _____ at least one point in every game he plays. (score)
- 2 I _____ that they will give Kate a place on the team. (believe)
- 3 Susan _____ to finish her homework today. (try)
- 4 My dad _____ Chinese food tonight. (cook)
- 5 My brother loves books. He _____ a book every week. (read)
- 6 I _____ all of my old *Friends* DVDs this week. (watch)
- 7 Sam _____ before 7 a.m., even on Sundays. (get up)
- 8 Look out of the window. A big storm _____! (come)
- 9 Lisa usually _____ video games when she gets home. (play)
- 10 I _____ what you're saying, but I don't agree with it. (understand)

- 5 Complete the email with the correct present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.



To: lauren@email.com

Hi Lauren

How ¹_____ (be) everything? I hope you ²_____ (have) a great time at football camp this week.

I ³_____ (enjoy) my summer drama project.

Every summer we ⁴_____ (put on) a play by Shakespeare, and this year we ⁵_____ (work) on

A Midsummer Night's Dream. It's a great play because it

⁶_____ (have) so many different roles. We ⁷_____ (practise) about six hours a day and we're performing

the play in public next week. I ⁸_____ (try) very hard to learn my lines. I ⁹_____ (play) two parts in the

play, and sometimes I ¹⁰_____ (forget) which part I'm playing! Anyway, I ¹¹_____ (believe) it will be a great

performance. My grandparents ¹²_____ (travel) from Leeds next week just to see me in the play. I know you ¹³_____ (be) very busy at camp, but I ¹⁴_____ (hope)

to hear from you soon.

Take care!

Daisy