

GRAMMAR

Present simple and present continuous

1 Look at sentences A and B.

- A He helps people at work every day.
(present simple)
B She's eating a big ice cream now.
(present continuous)

Read the sentences from the listening. Match sentences 1-8 to sentences A and B.

- 1 He's teaching her how to swim.
- 2 She isn't playing her guitar now.
- 3 He drives all over Europe.
- 4 He sometimes goes to Africa.
- 5 Today he's trying to catch a fish!
- 6 She works in a restaurant every evening.
- 7 She isn't working now.
- 8 She's taking a photo of Tony.

2 Complete the sentences with present simple or present continuous.

- 1 We use the _____ to talk about what we do every day.
- 2 We use the _____ to talk about what we always/sometimes/never do.
- 3 We use the _____ to talk about what we are doing now.

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3 Complete the conversations with the verbs (in brackets). Use the present simple or present continuous.

1



Amy: Has your brother got a job?

Dan: Yes, he has. He ¹ _____ (drive) a taxi.

Amy: Really? ² _____ he
_____ (drive) you to school
every day?

Dan: No, of course not!

2



Tom: What does your dad do?

Lee: He ³ _____ (work) in a restaurant.

Tom: That's interesting.

Lee: But he ⁴ _____ (not work) now.
He ⁵ _____ (cook) our dinner.

Tom: Oh, good!

3



Jess: Hi, Millie. It's Jess here. I'm in
Jamaica. What ⁶ _____ you
_____ (do)?

Millie: I'm in bed!

Jess: Oh, sorry! I ⁷ _____ (sit) on the
beach and I ⁸ _____ (eat) a big
ice cream.

Millie: Lovely!



101 Listen and check.

4 Practise the conversations in Exercise 3 with your partner.

5 What jobs do people in your family do? What do you think they are doing now?