

1 Present Simple

A Completa le frasi usando la forma corretta dei verbi dati.

catch chat ~~get up~~ come find leave listen to look read take

- o I normally *get up* at six o'clock on school days.
- 1 I . . . the house at seven o'clock to go to school.
- 2 My younger brother . . . with me if he's awake.
- 3 We . . . the train into town.
- 4 The journey . . . about 20 minutes.
- 5 Some people . . . the newspaper.
- 6 Everybody . . . really miserable.
- 7 My brother usually . . . his friends and . . .
- 8 I usually . . . music.

B Metti i verbi tra parentesi alla forma corretta.

- o To earn money, Joe *does* (do) a Saturday job.
- 1 He . . . (fix) bikes in a bicycle shop.
- 2 He . . . (try) to concentrate, but it's boring work.
- 3 He . . . (finish) work at five.
- 4 He . . . (wash) his hands and . . . (switch off) the light.
- 5 He usually . . . (catch) the bus home at 5.10.
- 6 If he . . . (miss) the bus, he has to walk.
- 7 In the evening he usually . . . (go out) with his friends.
- 8 If he's tired, he . . . (watch) television.

C Metti i verbi tra parentesi alla forma corretta. Per le forme negative, usa la forma breve (*don't, doesn't*).

- o We have a small boat, but we *don't use* (not / use) it very often.
- 1 My sister's skin . . . (burn) easily in the summer.
- 2 She . . . (never / go) on the beach in the middle of the day.
- 3 In summer, it . . . (not / get) dark until after nine o'clock.
- 4 It . . . (rarely / get) very cold at night in July.
- 5 We . . . (not / have) much rain where I live.
- 6 The temperature . . . (never / fall) below zero.
- 7 It . . . (not / usually / snow) in winter.
- 8 My grandparents . . . (live) in the mountains, so they can go skiing.
- 9 I . . . (not / like) the winter because it's too cold.
- 10 My dad . . . (swim) in the sea every day.

D Usa le parole e le espressioni date per scrivere domande.

- o you / enjoy learning English?
Do you enjoy learning English?
- 1 you / study English every day? . . .

- 2 studying English grammar / interest you
- 3 you / sometimes / read / magazines or books in English?
- 4 anyone in your family / speak English?
- 5 you / watch / TV in English?
- 6 your teacher / speak to you in English?
- 7 you / keep / a vocabulary notebook?
- 8 speaking / a foreign / language / make you nervous?
- 9 the idea of living abroad / attract you?
- 10 English / sound / nice / in your opinion?

11–20 Ora scrivi risposte vere alle domande. Scrivi **yes** oppure **no**, ed aggiungi un altro dettaglio.

- o *Yes, because I like to speak to my English friends.*

E VOCABULARY FOCUS – school

Leggi il testo. Sei delle righe di esso contengono errori e cinque sono corrette. Metti un segno (✓) accanto alle espressioni corrette e correggi gli errori.

Freya Thomas clears away the breakfast things, <u>sit</u> down again and waits for her teacher to arrive. She don't wear a school uniform, and the teacher doesn't say 'good morning' or take the register. It is her father, and she is the only student in the class. The kitchen is also her classroom.	0 <i>sits</i>
Freya's father think home schooling is best for Freya, although her two younger brothers go to the local school. 'Freya needs individual attention,' he say.	1
Classes starts at nine and finish at three, like in a normal school. Then Freya sits down at her desk in her bedroom and does her homework. She studies six subjects – maths, Spanish, history, geography, English and science.	2
Do Freya enjoy school? 'I like the way my dad teaches me,' she says, 'We do fun things, like every Friday we go to the museum. But I learn the same things as everyone else, because I do the same exams as they does.'	3
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Fai delle domande sul testo.

- o Freya / wear / a uniform *Does Freya wear a uniform?*
- 12 her teacher / say / 'good morning'?
- 13 her brothers / study / at home?
- 14 she / her homework / in the kitchen?
- 15 she / study / Spanish?
- 16 Freya and her dad / go / to the museum / every Friday?

Traduci le frasi in inglese.

- 17 Freya non indossa una uniforme.
- 18 L'insegnante non prende il registro.
- 19 La cucina è anche la sua classe.
- 20 Freya siede alla scrivania e fa i compiti.
- 21 Studia sei materie.
- 22 Imparo le stesse cose di tutti gli altri.
- 23 Faccio gli stessi esami che fanno gli altri.

2 Present Continuous

A Completa le frasi scegliendo una parola da ogni tabella.

'm is are

chatting crossing digging eating getting on looking
moving pushing sitting shining waiting

- 0 I'm *looking* out of the window.
- 1 Some men . . . a hole in the road.
- 2 An old lady . . . to a policemen.
- 3 A little boy . . . an ice cream.
- 4 A group of kids . . . in the park.
- 5 A mother . . . her baby along the street in a pram.
- 6 Lots of people . . . the bus.
- 7 Two little girls . . . the road.
- 8 Cars . . . slowly.
- 9 The sun . . .
- 10 I . . . for my friend.

11–20 Ora scrivi la forma negativa di questi verbi. Usa i pronomi (**I, you, he**, ecc.).

- 0 I'm *not looking out of the window*.

B VOCABULARY FOCUS – the news

Completa le notizie del telegiornale mettendo i verbi in parentesi al Present Continuous.

- 0 The US president *is visiting* (visit) Rome today.
- 1 Bus drivers . . . (stop) work for an hour in a protest about pay.
- 2 Economic talks between world leaders . . . (go) well.
- 3 The search . . . (continue) for the boy who disappeared last week.
- 4 Police . . . (investigate) a plane crash in Brazil.
- 5 Millions . . . (leave) the cities for the holiday weekend.
- 6 Hotels . . . (prepare) for their busiest weekend of the year.
- 7 It . . . (get) hotter in the south of the country.
- 8 It . . . (rain) very heavily all over the north of the country.
- 9 At half-time in the big game, Barcelona . . . (win) 2–0.
- 10 Golfer Francesco Molinari . . . (celebrate) his victory in the French Open.

C Due amici si incontrano in vacanza. Metti le parole nell'ordine giusto e scrivi domande usando il Present Continuous per completare la conversazione.

- EMMA Matt! *What are you doing here?*⁰ (you / here / what / do?)
 MATT Emma! Hi! I'm on holiday.
 EMMA . . . ¹(hotel / stay / you / at / which?)
 MATT We're camping at Sea View campsite. And you?

EMMA	The Station Hotel. Hey, that's a big fat book! (you / read / what?)	2
MATT	I'm studying, actually.	3 (at / what / you / laugh?)
EMMA	Studying!	4 (why / do / you / that?)
MATT	I failed my exams. I have to take them again.	
EMMA	Oh, sorry.	5 (subject / you / study / what?)
MATT	History – very boring.	6 (you / where / go / now?)
EMMA	To watch tennis. It's Wimbledon this week. (you / it / on TV / watch?)	7
MATT	Yes, I am.	8 (these days / play / you / tennis?)
EMMA	Not much. Anyway, do you want to come with me?	
MATT	Sure.	

D Metti il segno (✓) accanto alle frasi corrette. Riscrivi le frasi che non sono corrette.

- 0 I'm not understanding this sentence. *I don't understand this sentence.*
- 1 I'm asking you to help me.
- 2 The teacher isn't wanting us to talk.
- 3 What are you listening to?
- 4 Are you knowing my friend Alice?
- 5 I'm not remembering his name.
- 6 Ssh! The baby's sleeping!
- 7 What are you thinking about?
- 8 Are you having a cat?

E Completa il testo usando i verbi in tabella. Usa il Present Continuous quando è possibile, e il Present Simple per i quattro verbi che generalmente non prendono la forma continua.

destroy	not like	spend	not have	change	not want
open	disappear	refuse	understand	work	

Beijing is getting ready for the Olympics, and the city *is changing*⁰ its image. Thousands of builders ¹ 24 hours a day to build new roads, shops, apartments and, of course, stadiums. New American-style fast food restaurants ² every day, while traditional Chinese street food ³. Business people ⁴ lots of money in the hope of making big profits. But some local people ⁵ the change. 'Why ⁶ they ⁷ our homes?' asks 72-year-old Zhu Li Qing, 'They ⁸ us to be here, and we ⁹ that, but we ¹⁰ anywhere to go. That's why I ¹⁰ to leave my home.'

11–15 Scrivi cinque frasi usando il Present Continuous sui cambiamenti che stanno avvenendo nel luogo dove vivi. Segui i suggerimenti in tabella.

building planting painting planning

- 0 *They are building a new school.*