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# Grammar Time

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# 1

## have got, possessive adjectives and pronouns, whose

What are you doing?

**1** This is a surprise for you, you know! I'm buying your birthday present!

**2** I'm buying something.

**3** Good. I want the black T-shirt, then. I don't like the brown one!

**4**

**Peter:** Hi, Harry! Where are you?

**Harry:** I'm... er... in a shop.

**Peter:** What are you doing?

**Harry:** I'm buying something.

**Peter:** But it's Friday. We usually go to the cinema on Friday.

**Harry:** Well, I'm doing my shopping today. What are you doing?

**Peter:** I'm standing right behind you!

### 1 Complete the tables.

► Look at the spelling rules on page 139.

#### Present simple

Positive	I / You / We / They	go
	He / She / It	goes
Negative	I / You / We / They	not (don't) go
	He / She / It	not (doesn't)

#### Present continuous

Positive	I	..... ('m)	going
	He / She / It	is (.....)	
	We / You / They	..... ('re)	
Negative	I	am not (.....)	going
	He / She / It	..... (isn't)	
	We / You / They	..... (aren't)	

#### Questions

Do	I / you / we / they	go?
Does	he / she / it	

#### Questions

Am	I	
Is	he / she / it	.....?
Are	you / we / they	

## 2 Read the information.

**Present simple****Use**

We use the present simple to talk about:

- habits, things that we do regularly.  
*We usually go to the park after school.*
- facts, things that are always or usually true:  
*My sister works in a bookshop.*  
*The Earth goes round the sun.*

**Time expressions**

- We often use these time expressions with the present simple:  
*in September, in the morning/afternoon/  
evening on Mondays/Tuesdays  
every day/week/month, once/twice/three  
times a week/month/year*
- These time expressions come at the beginning or end of the sentence.  
*Every weekend we visit our cousins.*  
*My dad starts work at eight every day.*
- We also use adverbs of frequency (*always, usually, often, sometimes, never*) with the present simple. They come **before** the main verb.  
*Peter never tidies his room.*  
*Do you always get up at seven?*

And **after** the verb *be*.

*I'm never late for school.*

*He isn't usually busy on Sundays.*

**Present continuous****Use**

We use the present continuous to talk about:

- something that is happening now:  
*Sam and Alex are watching TV.*
- temporary situations:  
*Fred's staying with his aunt this weekend.*

**Time expressions**

We often use these time expressions with the present continuous:

*now, right now, at the moment, today  
this week/month/year, these days.  
She's doing her homework at the moment.*

**Present simple and present continuous**

Compare these examples:

*He usually does his homework in the evening.*  
(A habit. Use the present simple.)

*He's doing his homework.* (This is happening now. Use the present continuous.)

## 3 Complete with the present simple.

- 1 Harry often *goes* ..... to the park after school. (go)
- 2 My brother ..... meat. (not eat)
- 3 Where .....? (your cousins / live)
- 4 Beth ..... articles for TeenLink. (write)
- 5 ..... on Saturdays? (your parents / work)
- 6 What time ..... in the morning? (you / get up)
- 7 I ..... to the theatre very often. (not go)

## 4 Complete with the present continuous.

- 1 Stop that noise! I *'m trying* ..... to do my homework! (try)
- 2 Dave and Brian want to go home. They ..... a good time. (not have)
- 3 Why .....? (you / laugh)
- 4 ..... to us? (that girl / talk)
- 5 Vicky ..... for her test. She's at the sports centre. (not study)
- 6 Harry's in his room. He ..... a report for TeenLink. (write)



# 5 Complete with every day or at the moment.

- 1 Beth's tidying her room *at the moment*
- 2 Harry gets up early
- 3 Mr and Mrs Davis are watching TV
- 4 Peter goes to the park
- 5 Beth drinks a glass of milk
- 6 Lucy's playing the violin

# 6 Read and write.

## On Monday afternoon

Harry – edit 'TeenLink'  
 Lucy – do homework  
 Mrs Hardy – go to the gym  
 Peter – play football  
 Beth – study Spanish  
 Mr Davis – run in the park

## Today

Harry – listen to new CD  
 Lucy – watch film on TV  
 Mrs Hardy – visit friend  
 Peter – read book  
 Beth – write story  
 Mr Davis – cook dinner

- 1 On Monday afternoon, Harry *usually edits 'TeenLink'* but today *he is listening to his new CD*.
- 2 On Monday afternoon, Lucy ..... but today .....
- 3 On Monday afternoon, Mrs Hardy ..... but today .....
- 4 On Monday afternoon, Peter ..... but today .....
- 5 On Monday afternoon, Beth ..... but today .....
- 3 On Monday afternoon, Mr Davis ..... but today .....

# 7 Read the information.

## State verbs

We usually use the present simple, not the present continuous with state verbs.

Here are some common state verbs:

*believe, belong, cost, feel, hate, have (= possess), hear, know, like, love, need, prefer, remember, see, smell, taste, think, understand, want*

*I don't believe you! ✓*

*I'm not believing you.*

*What do you want? ✓*

*What are you wanting?*

*Does he have a bike? ✓*

*Is he having a bike?*

# 8 Circle the correct answer.

- 1 Bella loves / is loving milk.
- 2 Why do you look / are you looking at me?
- 3 Do you remember / Are you remembering my friend Nikki?
- 4 Be quiet! I watch / I'm watching the news!
- 5 Cosmo hates / is hating dogs.
- 6 Listen to me! I talk / I'm talking to you!
- 7 What's this? What do you do / are you doing?
- 8 I'm sorry, I don't understand / I'm not understanding.

9 Complete with the present simple or present continuous.

- 1 A: What <sup>1</sup> *are you doing* (you / do)?  
 B: <sup>2</sup> (make) some sandwiches. Jen's here – and we're both really hungry!  
 A: Oh. Well, I <sup>3</sup> (go) to the supermarket. <sup>4</sup> (you / need) anything?  
 B: Yes. Could you get us some orange juice? No, wait. Jen <sup>5</sup> (not like) orange juice – can you get us two cans of cola?  
 A: OK.
- 2 A: I <sup>6</sup> (not understand) how this program works. Can you help me?  
 B: I'm sorry, I can't. I'm late. Tim <sup>7</sup> (wait) for me downstairs. Ask Dad to help you. He's in the living room – he <sup>8</sup> (read) his newspaper.  
 A: Dad can't help me. He <sup>9</sup> (not know) anything about computers!

10 Read and complete with the present simple or present continuous.



## TeenLink

**Star News** by Beth Banks

Jennifer Cash, the famous pop star, is in our town! The 18-year-old singer <sup>1</sup> *is staying* (stay) at the Fairview Hotel near the lake for a few days with her family. 'I <sup>2</sup> (not work) at the moment', Jennifer says. 'I <sup>3</sup> just (enjoy) my free time!' When she's at work, Jennifer <sup>4</sup> (have) a busy day. She <sup>5</sup> (usually / get up) at seven o'clock in the morning and she <sup>6</sup> (run) in the park for one hour. Then she <sup>7</sup> (spend) all day at the studio with her band. 'I <sup>8</sup> (usually / not have) enough time for myself!' she says 'But now that I'm on holiday, I <sup>9</sup> (take) riding lessons. Oh, and the hotel chef <sup>10</sup> (teach) me how to make chocolate brownies. I <sup>11</sup> (love) cooking!'

## Writing practice

- 11 Write about your favourite film star / pop star. Use some of these ideas and your own ideas.

work on a new film / TV series / album  
 read / write a book  
 spend a few days in ... / with ...  
 take ... lessons  
 learn how to play (the guitar / golf)

### STAR NEWS

by .....

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