**PRESENT SIMPLE VS PRESENT CONTINUOUS EXERCISES**

1. ***Put the verbs into the correct tense (present simple OR present continuous):***
2. The train always \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (leave) on time. "What's the matter?
3. Why \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (cry/you)?" That's strange.
4. They\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not to watch) TV.
5. He\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not to speak) very good English. Please be quiet!
6. I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(do) my homework.
7. Where\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(live/they)?
8. Listen! John \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ music! (play)
9. I never \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(go) to the swimming pool.
10. Harold Black's a famous pianist.
11. He\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(give) two or three concerts every week.
12. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(travel) a lot and this week he's in New York.
13. He\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(stay) at an expensive hotel.
14. He's at his hotel now. He\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_( have) his breakfast in the dining−room.
15. He\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(drink) a cup of coffee and he\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(read) a newspaper.
16. Harold's always very busy. He\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(play) the piano regularly.
17. He\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(practise) for four hours every day.
18. He\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(go) to bed late and he always \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(get up) early. But he sometimes\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(get) dressed too quickly, and this morning he\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(wear) one blue sock and one red one!
19. ***Complete the sentences below using one of the verbs in the box in the correct form. You may use each verb once only.***

**enjoy/ prefer/ play/ produce/ work/ seem/ know/ interview/ wait/talk/finish**

1. I always \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tennis on Fridays.

2. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his report. He will bring it into the office when it is complete.

3. "My parents phoned me this morning. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ themselves in the Seychelles. Champagne every night! In fact, they don't want to leave."

4. We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to entertain our guests in a local restaurant rather than the canteen. Although it is expensive, we can talk freely there.

5. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the answer to your problem. Get a new computer.

6. "Where is John?" "In his office \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for an important telephone call."

7. I can't make the meeting tomorrow. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the applicants for the sales manager's job.

8. My brother \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for Shink Inc. which makes bathroom fittings.

9. Who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Bill? Is it the new secretary?

10. The new contract \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ fine to me. However, could you just check it through once more?

**3. Choose the correct form for each verb**.

1. Marie-Claude isn't a Canadian. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she comes from France.

A. believe B. am believing

2. Look! Junko \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into the water.

A. jumps B. is jumping

3. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you're crazy!

A. think B. am thinking

4. Don't give Jan any cheese. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it!

A. hates B. is hating

5. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Toronto next Thursday. Do you want to come?

A. go B. am going

6. Once a week, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to an art class at the college.

A. go B. am going

7. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lunch in the cafeteria every day.

A. have B. am having

8. Salman is rich — he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a Mercedes.

A. drives B. is driving

9. You won't find Jerry at home right now. He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the library.

A. studies B. is studying

10. It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ quite hard — perhaps we shouldn't go out tonight.

A. snows B. is snowing

1. ***Put the verb in brackets in the correct form (present simple or present continuous)***

Next week, my friends and I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) camping in the woods. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (organize) the food, because I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (like) cooking. Dave \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) a big car with a trailer, so he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (plan) the transportation. Sam \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (bring) the tent — he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (go) camping every year, so he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) a great tent and lots of other equipment. My wife \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (think) we're crazy. She (like) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ holidays in comfortable hotels, so she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (take) a trip to Paris instead.

1. ***Present Simple or Continuous?*** ***Choose the correct alternative(s) in the sentences 1-8 below.***

1 Today she ***’s spending/spends*** time with her grandmother.

2 They usually ***are going/go*** to the gym on Sundays.

3 We ***’re having/hav***e a barbecue later on. Do you want to come?

4 No, she can’t answer the phone, she ***has/is having*** a shower.

5 I always ***have/am having*** a coffee before I ’m leaving/leave for work in the morning.

6 They sometimes fly/are flying to Sweden, but usually they ***are going/go*** by boat.

7 Where are you? I ***’m sitting/sit*** outside in the sunshine!

8 He always ***brings/is bringing*** a monolingual dictionary to his English class.