

# Grammar

## Present Simple and Present Continuous

### SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

#### 1 Complete the sentences with the correct forms of be or do. Use short forms if possible.

- 0 I don't (not) like my job. I work at night and I can never sleep during the day.
- 1 Are you working at the moment? If not, can you help me in the kitchen?
- 2 Where is your mum teach? Are you happy she doesn't teach in our school?
- 3 Mr Brown isn't (not) work here. He works in our office in London.
- 4 Do you work every weekend? Yes, I do but only on Saturdays.
- 5 What is your brother doing at the moment?
- 6 What are you want to do when you finish university?
- 7 'Are you phoning the plumber?' 'Yes, I am. I can't stop this water.'

#### 2 ★ Complete the sentences with the verbs in capitals in the correct forms. Use short forms if possible.

##### 0 PLAY

Dan usually <sup>0</sup>plays tennis on a Saturday but today he <sup>00</sup>s playing golf.

##### 1 MEET

We usually <sup>1</sup>meet outside the cinema but it's raining so we <sup>10</sup>meet in a café.

##### 2 HAVE

My mum <sup>2</sup>is having a bath at the moment. She usually <sup>20</sup>has a shower but she wants to relax today.

##### 3 DO

It's seven o'clock in the morning and my brother <sup>3</sup>is doing his homework. I always <sup>30</sup>do my homework in the evening.

##### 4 HAVE

We usually <sup>4</sup>have Maths on Friday afternoon but our teacher is ill so, today, we <sup>40</sup>are having an extra English lesson.

##### 5 SEND

My friends usually <sup>5</sup>send me texts but my phone isn't working so they <sup>50</sup>are sending me emails at the moment.

#### 3 ★ ★ Complete the questions with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

##### Conversation 1

Jason: Hi, Mark. What <sup>0</sup>are you doing (do)?

Mark: I'm cooking dinner. Can you help me? This is really difficult.

Jason: OK. <sup>1</sup>Is your mum working (work) today?

Mark: Yes, she is. She's working late. <sup>2</sup>Is your mum working (work)?

Jason: Yes, she does. She works in a bank. That's why I know how to cook. Right. Let's start.

##### Conversation 2

Mandy: I can't believe your mum wants you to clean the whole house. <sup>1</sup>Is Tom helping (help) you?

Theresa: No, he isn't. He says he's got lots of homework.

Mandy: <sup>2</sup>Do you believe (believe) him?

Theresa: No, but my mum does.

Mandy: What <sup>3</sup>are you want (want) to do later, when the house is clean?

Theresa: I'm not sure. I'll phone and tell you.

##### Conversation 3

Sam: What <sup>4</sup>are you doing (do)?

Kelly: I'm a teacher. I teach Chemistry.

Sam: Really? I've got a problem with my Chemistry homework. Could you help me?

Kelly: OK. Let me look. Oh, right. Well. It's like this ... <sup>5</sup>Are you understanding (understand) now?

Sam: Er ... I think so. Can you tell me again?

#### 4 ★ ★ Complete the advert with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

**'Do you work (you/work) very hard?  
Do you earn (you/earn) a low salary?  
Are you unhappy at work?'**

Danielle <sup>1</sup>works (work) hard but she isn't unhappy. She <sup>2</sup>loves (love) her job. She is a waitress at FreshFlavourFoods.

FreshFlavourFoods is a new business but now it <sup>3</sup>is growing (grow) very quickly. We <sup>4</sup>are opening (open) new restaurants all over the country and we <sup>5</sup>are looking (look) for friendly, hard-working people like Danielle to come and work for us. <sup>6</sup>Are you looking (you/look) for a new job? For more details and an online application form, go to **FreshFlavourFoods.abc**

### SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

#### 5 Complete the email with the verbs in the box in the correct forms. There are two extra verbs.

do • get • have • need • not complain  
leave • open • sit • stand

Hi Kathy,

I'm at work. Don't worry! I <sup>0</sup>am having a break.

I <sup>1</sup>am sitting down with my tablet for ten minutes.

I <sup>2</sup>stand up all day so I <sup>3</sup>need this rest.

The restaurant is very busy today but the customers are nice. They <sup>4</sup>don't complain even when I bring them the wrong food. And they often <sup>5</sup>get me quite a lot of money. I earn £30 and I often get another £20 from customers.

Oh no. The door <sup>6</sup>is opening. It's my manager. Time to go back to work. Only another four hours to go!

See you.

Rachel