

## SIMPLE PRESENT / PRESENT CONTINUOUS / PAST SIMPLE / PAST CONTINUOUS.

### 1. Put the verbs in brackets into the Simple Present and the Present Continuous.

Today \_\_\_\_\_ ( 1 ) ( be ) Sunday. My sister \_\_\_\_\_  
( 2 ) ( paint ) a picture at the moment. My brothers \_\_\_\_\_ ( 3 ) ( ride )  
their bicycles in the garden now. They \_\_\_\_\_ ( 4 ) ( wear ) their new  
jackets. I often \_\_\_\_\_ ( 5 ) ( read ) a magazine on Sundays, but today I  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( 6 ) ( write ) a letter to my cousin, Anna. She often  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( 7 ) ( send ) me letters. Anna \_\_\_\_\_ ( 8 ) ( want ) to  
be a doctor. Sometimes my mother \_\_\_\_\_ ( 9 ) ( ask ) me what I  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( 10 ) ( want ) to be, but I \_\_\_\_\_ ( 11 ) ( not / know ).

### 2. Put the verbs in brackets into the Simple Present and the Present Continuous.

It \_\_\_\_\_ ( 1 ) ( be ) Saturday afternoon and my sister and I \_\_\_\_\_  
( 2 ) ( be ) at my friend's party. - Some children \_\_\_\_\_ ( 3 ) ( dance ) in the  
sitting-room now. My friend \_\_\_\_\_ ( 4 ) ( open ) a present at the moment.  
Two children \_\_\_\_\_ ( 5 ) ( eat ) chocolate cake, and three children  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( 6 ) ( play ) a game. I often \_\_\_\_\_ ( 7 ) ( go ) to  
parties because I \_\_\_\_\_ ( 8 ) ( have ) a lot of friends. But I  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( 9 ) ( not / go ) to parties on Sundays because I always  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( 10 ) ( visit ) my grandparents on Sunday.

### 3. Put the verb into the correct form, Past Continuous or Past Simple.

- George \_\_\_\_\_ ( fall ) off the ladder while he \_\_\_\_\_  
( paint ) the ceiling.
- Last night I \_\_\_\_\_ ( read ) in bed when suddenly I  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( hear ) a scream.
- \_\_\_\_\_ ( you / watch ) television when I phoned you ?
- Ann \_\_\_\_\_ ( wait ) for me when I \_\_\_\_\_ ( arrive )
- I \_\_\_\_\_ ( not / drive ) very fast when the accident  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( happen ).
- I \_\_\_\_\_ ( break ) a plate last night. I \_\_\_\_\_ ( do )  
the washing-up when it \_\_\_\_\_ ( slip ) out of my hand.
- Tom \_\_\_\_\_ ( take ) a photograph of me while I  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( not / look ).
- We \_\_\_\_\_ ( not / go ) out because it \_\_\_\_\_ ( rain )
- What \_\_\_\_\_ ( you / do ) at this time yesterday ?
- I \_\_\_\_\_ ( see ) Carol at the Party. She \_\_\_\_\_  
( wear ) a really beautiful dress.

4. **Put the verbs into the correct form, past continuous or past simple.**

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ ( see ) Sue in town yesterday but she \_\_\_\_\_  
( not / see ) me. She \_\_\_\_\_ ( look ) the other way.
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ ( meet ) Tom and Ann at the airport a few weeks ago. They  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( go ) to Berlin and I \_\_\_\_\_ ( go ) to  
Madrid. We \_\_\_\_\_ ( have ) a chat while we  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( wait ) for our flights.
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ ( cycle ) home yesterday when suddenly a man  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( step ) out into the road in front of me. I  
\_\_\_\_\_ ( go ) quite fast but luckily I \_\_\_\_\_ ( manage )  
to stop in time and \_\_\_\_\_ ( not / hit ) him.

5. **Use the verbs in the box to complete the following dialogue. Use the Present Simple or the Continuous or the Past simple or the Continuous. Read the whole conversation before you start.**

Do, give, go, have, revise, see, shake, try, not/go, not/use, not/ work

Fred is phoning his friend Jane.

Fred: Hello Jane, It's Fred here.

Jane: Oh hello, Fred. What \_\_\_\_\_ ?

Fred: Nothing much. I \_\_\_\_\_ but I had to stop because my computer

\_\_\_\_\_.

Jane: Oh dear. Well I \_\_\_\_\_ mine. Would you like to come and borrow it ?

Fred: Thanks, but I'd rather go out. Would you like to come to the cinema ? They

\_\_\_\_\_ two tickets for the price of one this afternoon.

Jane: What's on ?

Fred: I'm not sure.

Jane: Well, I \_\_\_\_\_ if I don't know what film we'll see.

Fred: Wait a minute. I \_\_\_\_\_ to find the right page in the newspaper.

Oh, it's a horror film. How about it ?

Jane: Definitely not. You know I \_\_\_\_\_ night mares when I

\_\_\_\_\_ horror films. We \_\_\_\_\_ to see one last year  
and by the end I \_\_\_\_\_ with terror.

Fred: Oh, all right. Well, see you on Monday I suppose.

Jane: Yes, Ok. Bye.