

## Simple Present or Present Progressive - Test 2 - **Answers**

### **A - Put in the verbs in brackets into the gaps.**

- 1) I am thirsty.
- 2) John often takes sugar in his coffee.
- 3) Listen! They are coming home. also correct 're coming
- 4) I usually work as a teacher in Germany,  
but this summer I am working as a language assistant in Rome. also correct 'm working
- 5) Anne has red hair.
- 6) The flowers smell beautiful.
- 7) The bus to New York leaves at 6.30.
- 8) My history teacher talks too much.
- 9) Right now Christine is working on the computer.
- 10) Hey! What are you doing there?

### **B - Which sentences are correct? Sometimes both sentences are correct.**

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| 1)<br>a) <u>I feel fine.</u><br>b) <u>I'm feeling fine.</u>                              | 6)<br>a) <u>I love holidays.</u><br>b) <u>I'm loving every minute of my holiday.</u>     |
| 2)<br>a) <u>I am tasting the soup.</u><br>b) <u>The soup tastes good.</u>                | 7)<br>a) I am needing an umbrella now.<br>b) <u>I need a new computer.</u>               |
| 3)<br>a) <u>She is weighing the turkey.</u><br>b) <u>She weighs 60 kilos.</u>            | 8)<br>a) <u>I see what the teacher means.</u><br>b) I'm seeing what the teacher means.   |
| 4)<br>a) <u>You are being very silly about this.</u><br>b) <u>You are silly.</u>         | 9)<br>a) I am thinking we should go.<br>b) <u>I think we should go.</u>                  |
| 5)<br>a) I am remembering my first date.<br>b) <u>I remember my first day at school.</u> | 10)<br>a) Andy repairs things at the moment.<br>b) <u>Andy sometimes repairs things.</u> |

### **C - Which answers are correct?**

#### **1) What are typical signal words for the Present Progressive?**

- a) Listen!
- b) Look!
- c) ago
- d) at the moment
- e) just
- f) never
- g) now
- h) yet

#### **2) What are typical signal words for the Simple Present?**

- a) already
- b) at the moment
- c) every day
- d) last week
- e) normally
- f) now
- g) seldom
- h) usually

#### **3) Which sentences/questions are in the Present Progressive?**

- a) He had a shower in the morning.
- b) He was sitting on the beach.
- c) He's having a shower.
- d) I don't think so.
- e) We're thinking of buying a new car.

#### **4) Which sentences/questions are in the Simple Present?**

- a) Anne is always coming late.
- b) First I get up then I have breakfast.
- c) He's just finished the letter.
- d) I was having breakfast.
- e) I'm here.
- f) She lives in Sofia.

### **D - Which actions – which tenses?**

#### **1) Which of the following action is in the Simple Present?**

- a) actions happening at the moment of speaking
- b) action finished in the past
- c) repeated actions

#### **2) Which of the following action is in the Simple Present?**

- a) result of an action in the past is important in the present
- b) things in general
- c) planned action in the near future

#### **3) Which of the following action is in the Simple Present?**

- a) actions beginning in the past and still continuing
- b) actions in the present - one follows after the other
- c) planned action in the future

#### **4) Which of the following action is in the Simple Present?**

- a) actions were in progress at special time in the past
- b) fixed arrangements, scheduled events in the future
- c) spontaneous action in the future

**5) Which of the following action is in the Present Progressive?**

- a) things in general
- b) spontaneous action in the future
- c) fixed plan in the near future

**6) Which of the following action is in the Present Progressive?**

- a) actions happening at the moment of speaking
- b) recently completed actions
- c) repeated actions

***E - Negate the following sentences.***

- 1) They are using a dictionary.      They are not using a dictionary. also correct  
   They're not using a dictionary. also correct  
   They aren't using a dictionary.
- 2) Stacey works in the library.      Stacey does not work in the library. also correct  
   Stacey doesn't work in the library.
- 3) She is good at sports.              She is not good at sports. also correct  
   She's not good at sports. also correct  
   She isn't good at sports.
- 4) The diary is lying on the floor.   The diary is not lying on the floor. also correct  
   The diary isn't lying on the floor.
- 5) Anne is smiling.                      Anne is not smiling. also correct  
   Anne isn't smiling.
- 6) We are carrying a big box.         We are not carrying a big box. also correct  
   We're not carrying a big box. also correct  
   We aren't carrying a big box.
- 7) I like fish.                               I do not like fish. also correct  
   I don't like fish.
- 8) They are preparing the picnic.     They are not preparing the picnic. also correct  
   They're not preparing the picnic. also correct  
   They aren't preparing the picnic.
- 9) My friend lives in Stockholm.      My friend does not live in Stockholm. also correct  
   Stacey doesn't live in Stockholm.
- 10) He is waiting for the bus.         He is not waiting for the bus. also correct  
   He's not waiting for the bus. also correct  
   He isn't waiting for the bus.

**F - Choose the correct verb forms.**

1) \_\_\_\_\_ in ghosts?

a) Does your little brother believe

b) Is your little brother believing

2) This cake \_\_\_\_\_ wonderful.

a) is tasting

b) tastes

3) My father \_\_\_\_\_ tea for breakfast.

a) is preferring

b) prefers

4) Hey John! \_\_\_\_\_ about Peggy?

a) Are you thinking

b) Do you think

5) I have to go now. \_\_\_\_\_ dark.

a) It gets

b) It's getting

6) We \_\_\_\_\_ music in the street.

a) are hearing

b) hear

7) I \_\_\_\_\_ his brother is football-crazy.

a) am thinking

b) think

8) \_\_\_\_\_ with you.

a) I agree

b) I am agreeing

9) He \_\_\_\_\_ with his grandmother until his mother comes back from China.

a) is living

b) lives

10) He \_\_\_\_\_ the newspaper at the moment.

a) is reading

b) reads