

## A Present simple / Present continuous

Shiv usually **plays** well, but he's **playing** badly today.

### Think!

#### • Completa le regole con il *Present simple* o il *Present continuous*.

- Si usa il \_\_\_\_\_ per parlare di azioni abituali.
- Si usa il \_\_\_\_\_ per parlare di un'azione che sta accadendo in questo momento.

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### 1 Trova il verbo in ogni frase e decidi se l'azione è *habitual (H)* o *happening now (HN)*.

I listen to the radio in the evening. **H**  
I am listening to my MP3 player now. **HN**

- 1 I always read before I go to bed. \_\_\_
- 2 She isn't listening to music at the moment. \_\_\_
- 3 He plays football once a week. \_\_\_
- 4 Is Cathy doing her homework now? \_\_\_
- 5 Tim doesn't play sport very often. \_\_\_

### 2 Riscrivi le frasi dell'es. 1 segnando le espressioni di tempo e annotando il tempo verbale a cui si riferiscono.

I listen to the radio in the evening.  
(Present simple)

I am listening to my MP3 player now.  
(Present continuous)

### 3 Present simple o Present continuous? Scegli l'alternativa corretta.

She's cooking / cooks dinner every day.

- 1 They're listening / listen to a CD at the moment.
- 2 I'm going / go to the cinema every Saturday.
- 3 We aren't walking / don't walk to school in the mornings.
- 4 What do you do / are you doing at the moment?
- 5 They don't get up / aren't getting up early on Sundays.
- 6 How often does she play / is she playing volleyball?

### 4 Completa le frasi con il *Present simple* o il *Present continuous* dei verbi tra parentesi.

Rachel's a teacher. She teaches (teach) Maths at Richmond Secondary School.

At the moment she isn't teaching (not/teach) Maths. She's on holiday. She 's sitting (sit) in her garden and she 's reading (read) a book.

- 1 Josh and Clare are students. They <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Richmond Secondary School.  
At the moment they <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not/study). It's Sunday afternoon and they <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (play) tennis.
- 2 My dad's a musician. He <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (play) in a band.  
At the moment he <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not/work). It's 7 p.m. He <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (cook) dinner.
- 3 I'm a secretary. I <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in London.  
Today is my free day and I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not/work). I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) a friend in Oxford.

### 5 Completa la conversazione telefonica con la forma corretta dei verbi tra parentesi.

- A Hello.  
B Hi, Tom. What are you doing? (you/do)  
<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you/watch) the football on TV?  
A No, I'm not. I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (do) my homework.  
B What? But our team <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (play). We <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (win) and we <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not/win) very often!  
A I know, but I've got a Maths test on Friday and Mum <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) *House* at the moment. It's her favourite show! She always <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) it.  
B That's terrible!  
A <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (Michael Owen/play) well?  
B Yes, he is. He always <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (play) well. He's our star player. Our team <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (attack) at the moment.  
A It isn't fair! I <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to see the match.  
B Come over to my house! I <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) the match. You can watch it with me.

## A Present continuous for future

Where are we meeting tomorrow?  
We're meeting outside the school.

How are we getting to Luton?  
We're taking the school bus.

### Future time expressions

this morning/afternoon/evening/week  
tonight  
on Tuesday/Wednesday/1<sup>st</sup> November  
tomorrow (morning/afternoon/evening/night)  
next Friday/week/weekend/month/year  
in July/the summer/2012  
at Christmas/Easter/six o'clock

### Think!

Di solito si usa il *Present continuous* con significato di futuro insieme a un'espressione di tempo. Segna (✓) le frasi che si riferiscono al futuro.

- He's flying to Rome tomorrow.
- She's washing her hair at the moment.
- Our team is winning 24-12.
- We're leaving on Sunday morning.

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### 1 Decidi se le azioni accadono nel presente (P) o nel futuro (F).

Shiv is visiting London next Saturday. F  
Shiv is in the living room. He's watching television. P

- 1 Karen is in her bedroom. She's doing her homework.
- 2 They're visiting their grandparents next weekend.
- 3 They're going to a basketball match this evening.
- 4 Be quiet! I'm studying!
- 5 Kanye West is giving a concert in Newcastle next week.
- 6 A Where are you going?  
B I'm going to the gym.
- 7 We're going to the cinema tonight.  
The Dark Knight is on at the Odeon.
- 8 I'm studying for my Maths test next week.

### 2 Completa il dialogo con la forma corretta del Present Simple o del Present Continuous con valore di futuro dei verbi tra parentesi.

A What time does Matt get (Matt/get) home?

B He <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (usually/come) home at about 4 p.m., but he <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to choir practice today.

A <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (he/go) to choir practice every Wednesday?

B Yes, he <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. He <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (sing) in the school choir. He's really good! The choir

<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (sing) in a concert in London on Saturday morning. We

<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the concert.

<sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you/want) to come, too?

A I'm sorry, I can't. I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) Poppy and we <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) shopping this Saturday.

## B Il Past Simple e le parole WH

### 3 Osserva le parole sottolineate nelle risposte e completa le domande. Usa le parole interrogative del riquadro.

who ~~where~~ how old  
when where why

Where were you at 8 o'clock?

I was at home at 8 o'clock.

1 \_\_\_\_\_ last weekend?

I was in London last weekend.

2 \_\_\_\_\_ last year?

My Maths teacher last year was Mrs Williams.

3 \_\_\_\_\_ born?

Emma was born in 2010.

4 \_\_\_\_\_ at Kelly's house?

I was at Kelly's house because it was her birthday.

5 \_\_\_\_\_ in 2012?

Tom was 8 years old in 2012.