

PRESENT SIMPLE OR PRESENT CONTINUOUS**1 Underline the correct words.**

- 0 I make / am making my bed every day.
 1 Tina plays / is playing volleyball now.
 2 My mum and I do / are doing the shopping on Saturday morning.
 3 They sometimes watch / are watching action films.
 4 My grandma bakes / is baking a cake at the moment.
 5 Do you visit / Are you visiting your grandparents every weekend?
 6 Liam doesn't do / isn't doing his homework right now.

2 Put the verbs in brackets into the present simple or present continuous tense.

- 0 My mum is a vet. She helps (help) animals every day, but today, she isn't working (not work). She is travelling (travel) to Italy.
 1 We usually visit (visit) the island of Pag in the summer, but this summer we are visiting (visit) the island of Korčula.
 2 Helen is a police officer. She usually directs (direct) traffic, but today she is drinking (drink) a cup of tea with her friends at the café.
 3 I'm helping (help) my mum with cooking today, but I don't usually do (not do) it on Sundays.
 4 John has (have) football practice on Tuesdays, but today he is having (have) a football match.
 5 They usually buy (buy) a birthday cake at the baker's, but today they are making (make) the cake themselves.
 6 Emily is a teacher. She usually teaches (teach) history, but now she is running (run) in the park.
 7 We usually swim (swim) in the sea when it's hot and sunny, but today we are swimming (swim) in a pool.
 8 The cat plays (play) in the garden in the afternoon, but now it is sleeping (sleep) in front of the fireplace.
 9 My parents go (go) to the cinema on Friday evening, but they aren't going (not go) to the cinema today. They are staying (stay) at home.
 10 He watches (watch) TV in the evening, but he isn't watching (not watch) TV today. He is doing (do) his homework.

3 Use the prompts and write the sentences. Use the present simple or present continuous tense.

- 0 go / we / by / to school / bus / always
We always go to school by bus.
 1 every summer / Lilly / travel / to / Split
Lilly travels to Split every summer. / Every summer, Lilly travels to Split.
 2 I / a book / different countries / read / at the moment / about
I'm reading a book about different countries at the moment. / At the moment, I am reading a book about different countries.
 3 not go / on weekdays / late / to bed / they
They don't go to bed late on weekdays. / On weekdays, they don't go to bed late.
 4 what / now / you / do
What are you doing now?
 5 what / do / you / usually / at the weekend
What do you usually do at the weekend?
 6 my mum / today / not work
My mum isn't working today. / Today my mum isn't working.
 7 the piano / three times a week / Greg / practise
Greg practises the piano three times a week.
 8 often / Martha / go hiking / in the spring
Martha often goes hiking in the spring. / In the spring, Martha often goes hiking.
 9 he / not spend / on the beach / every summer / time
He doesn't spend time on the beach every summer.
 10 now / my family and I / dinner / have
My family and I are having dinner now.

4 Put the verbs in brackets into the present simple or present continuous.

A: Hey, Robert! What **are you doing** (you / do) now?

B: Hey, Ian! I'm **tidying** (tidy) my room.

A: **Do you want** (you / want) to come to my place and play *Monopoly*?

B: Sure, why not! I **usually stay** (usually / stay) at home on Saturdays and **play** (play) video games.

A: My brother and I **usually play** (usually / play) football in the garden, but it **is raining** (rain) today.

B: Cool! I'll be there soon.

It's Friday today. My sister Jessica **isn't going** (not go) to school today. She **is taking** (take) part in a maths competition. She **likes** (like) maths. My mum **is working** (work) now. She is a cook and she **works** (work) in a famous restaurant. She always **cooks** (cook) delicious meals. My dad is a mechanic and he usually **fixes** (fix) cars, but today he **isn't working** (not work). He **is travelling** (travel) to Edinburgh to a car show. He **adores** (adore) cars. I **have** (have) lessons on Friday mornings, but I'm **not sitting** (not sit) in the classroom at the moment. I'm **staying** (stay) at home because I'm **not feeling** (not feel) well.

THE COMPARATIVE

5 Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the adjectives.

Adjective	Comparative	Adjective	Comparative
high	higher	bad	worse
easy	easier	curious	more curious
dangerous	more dangerous	big	bigger
intelligent	more intelligent	hot	hotter
lazy	lazier	popular	more popular
tasty	tastier	tall	taller
expensive	more expensive	good	better

6 Fill in the gaps. Use the comparative form of adjectives in brackets.

0 Turtles are **slower** (slow) than rabbits.

1 My sister is 5 and I am 12. She is **younger** (young) than me.

2 Apples are **more delicious** (delicious) than oranges.

3 My best friend is **sportier** (sporty) than me.

4 Basketball players aren't **more famous** (famous) than footballers.

5 Reading books is **more interesting** (interesting) than watching films.

6 The Danube is **longer** (long) than the River Sava.

7 It is **colder** (cold) in the autumn than in the summer.

8 London is **bigger** (big) than Zagreb.

9 February is **shorter** (short) than January.

10 Vegetables are **healthier** (healthy) than chocolate.

11 Comedies are **funnier** (funny) than thrillers.

12 My grandpa is **older** (old) than my grandma.

13 Chinese food is **tastier** (tasty) than Italian food.

14 A school trip is **more exciting** (exciting) than a trip with your parents.

15 Elephants are **fatter** (fat) than zebras.

16 Staying at home is **more boring** (boring) than going out with friends.

17 Ironman is **stronger** (strong) than Batman.

18 It's always **quieter** (quiet) in the suburbs than in the city centre.

19 Canada is **larger** (large) than the USA.

20 It's **hotter** (hot) in the Sahara Desert than in the Antarctic.

7 Look at the pictures and the fact files. Use the prompts and compare the people and animals in the pictures.

Name: John
Age: 13
Height: 1.85 m
English: ++++
Maths: ++++++
sporty: ++++++

Name: Tom
Age: 14
Height: 1.75 m
English: ++++++
Maths: +++
sporty: +++

(old / young)

Tom is older than John.

John is younger than Tom.

(tall / short)

John is taller than Tom.

Tom is shorter than John.

(hair – long / short)

Tom's hair is longer than John's hair.

John's hair is shorter than Tom's hair.

(English - good)

Tom is better at English than John.

(maths – bad)

Tom is worse at maths than John.

(sporty)

John is sportier than Tom.

<p>(the Golden Retriever)</p> <p>Weight: 6 kg Age: 1 Speed: 45 km/h Dangerous: + Clever: ++++++ Friendly: ++++++</p>	<p>(the cheetah)</p> <p>Weight: 50 kg Age: 8 Speed: 75 km/h Dangerous: ++++++ Clever: +++ Friendly: +</p>
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(big / small)

The Golden Retriever is smaller than the cheetah.

The cheetah is bigger than the Golden Retriever.

(long / short)

The Golden Retriever's tail is shorter the cheetah's tail.

The cheetah's tail is longer than the Golden Retriever's tail.

(heavy)

The cheetah is heavier than the Golden Retriever.

(young / old)

The Golden Retriever is younger than the cheetah.

The cheetah is older than the Golden Retriever.

(fast / slow)

The cheetah is faster than the Golden Retriever.

The Golden Retriever is slower than the cheetah.

(dangerous)

The cheetah is more dangerous than the Golden Retriever.

(clever)

The Golden Retriever is more clever / cleverer than the cheetah.

(friendly)

The Golden Retriever is friendlier than the cheetah.