

1A GRAMMAR simple present and continuous, action and nonaction verbs



a Circle the correct form of the verbs.

Jason What ¹do you study / are you studying?

Elena Humanities.

Jason ²I study / I'm studying Fine Arts. Where ³are you / are you coming from?

Elena I'm from Madrid, in Spain.

Jason And how many hours of classes ⁴do you have / are you having a week?

Elena ⁵It depends / It's depending on the week, but usually about 20 hours. ⁶Do you know / Are you knowing about the party tonight?

Jason ⁷Do you mean / Are you meaning the one for new students? I can't go, because ⁸I get ready / I'm getting ready to move into my apartment tomorrow.

Elena Where ⁹do you live / are you living right now?

Jason ¹⁰I stay / I'm staying in a student dorm.

Elena What ¹¹do you do / are you doing on Sunday afternoon? If you ¹²want / are wanting, we could meet and look around the city.

Jason I'm busy in the afternoon, but what about Sunday morning?

Elena Fine. Where should we meet?

b Complete the dialogue with the correct form of the verbs: simple present or present continuous.

Maggie Hello, Jo, what a surprise! What ¹are you doing (do) here?

Jo The same as you probably! ²I _____ (buy) a few things for dinner.

Maggie How are things? Are you still working at the same place?

Jo Yes, but I ³_____ (not like) it very much. My boss ⁴_____ (depend) on me for everything. The worst thing is that she always ⁵_____ (get) the credit, and I ⁶_____ (do) all the work!

Maggie That ⁷_____ (sound) terrible. ⁸_____ you _____ (have to) go back to work this afternoon?

Jo No, I only work until lunchtime on Fridays because I always ⁹_____ (have) lunch with my friend Paula. She ¹⁰_____ (not work) on Fridays, so we usually ¹¹_____ (meet) at that nice little Italian restaurant in town. ¹²_____ you _____ (want) to come?

Maggie I'd love to but I ¹³_____ (need) to get home. My sister ¹⁴_____ (stay) with us for a few days. Some other time!

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c Practice the dialogues in a with a partner.

1B GRAMMAR future forms

- a** Complete the sentences using the verb in parentheses plus *will* or *going to*, or use the verb in the present continuous. Write the answers in the column on the right and use contractions where possible. Sometimes two answers are possible.

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| 1 | A I can hardly lift this suitcase. | |
| | B Wait. I <input type="text"/> you with it! (help) | <u>'ll help</u> |
| 2 | We <input type="text"/> on June 3rd at 5:30 p.m. We hope you can come! (get married) | <u></u> |
| 3 | I decided that I <input type="text"/> a new job. (look for) | <u></u> |
| 4 | A Do you want to come to Dave's on Thursday? | |
| | B I can't. I <input type="text"/> dinner with Sam. (have) | <u></u> |
| 5 | My brother's having a baby so I <input type="text"/> an aunt in a couple of weeks. (be) | <u></u> |
| 6 | That little boy's riding his bike too fast. He <input type="text"/> off. (fall) | <u></u> |
| 7 | A Can I tell you a secret? | |
| | B Of course. I <input type="text"/> anyone. (not tell) | <u></u> |
| 8 | A What time is their flight arriving? | |
| | B I'm not sure. I <input type="text"/> online. (check) | <u></u> |
| 9 | Meg didn't study for the exam so she doesn't think she <input type="text"/> it. (pass) | <u></u> |
| 10 | Did I tell you that we <input type="text"/> skiing in the Alps next week? (go) | <u></u> |
| 11 | A Is the air conditioner on? I'm freezing. | |
| | B Yes, I think so. I <input type="text"/> it off. (turn) | <u></u> |
| 12 | I hate it when people take pictures of me without telling me. Please promise you <input type="text"/> anymore! (not take) | <u></u> |
| 13 | A Your girlfriend's really nice. | |
| | B Yes, she is. I <input type="text"/> her to my parents next week. (introduce) | <u></u> |
| 14 | Sorry, but I can't help you now. I <input type="text"/> shopping. (go) | <u></u> |
| 15 | Do you think you <input type="text"/> late tonight? (work) | <u></u> |

13–15 Excellent. You can use different future forms very well.

9–12 Good, but check the rules in the Grammar Bank for any questions that you got wrong.

1–8 This is difficult for you. Read the rules in the Grammar Bank. Then ask your teacher for another photocopy and do the exercise again at home.

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- b** Cover the column on the right and look at the sentences. Read the sentences aloud with the verbs in the correct form.