

The present continuous and the simple present tense

1. Match the sentences.

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| 1. I usually get to school by bus. | <u> f </u> | a. But the sun is shining today. |
| 2. Andy works in a hospital. | <u> </u> | b. They're studying in their rooms. |
| 3. Ms. Higgins usually teaches us geography. | <u> </u> | c. He's talking to a doctor right now. |
| 4. My sister is making dinner tonight. | <u> </u> | d. We always go at this time. |
| 5. We're going to the movies now. | <u> </u> | e. She always cooks on Fridays. |
| 6. It usually rains in April. | <u> </u> | f. But today I'm walking. |
| 7. The children aren't playing basketball. | <u> </u> | g. But today Mr. Suzuki is teaching us. |

2. Complete the statements with the simple present tense or the present continuous. Use contractions.

- Jane 's watching (watch) a movie on TV. She usually watches (watch) cartoons.
- We usually _____ (eat) dinner at 7 p.m. But this evening we _____ (eat) at 8 p.m.
- Listen! Dad _____ (sing) again. He always _____ (sing) in the shower.
- I _____ (do) my homework in the living room at the moment. I usually _____ (do) it in my bedroom.
- My uncle _____ (work) in my school, but he _____ (not work) today because he's on vacation.
- Matt and Julie _____ (live) in a hotel at the moment. They usually _____ (live) in an apartment.
- I usually _____ (drink) coffee at breakfast. But I _____ (drink) orange juice this morning.
- Mary _____ (walk) to school with her brother today. She usually _____ (walk) alone.

3. Complete the statements with the simple present or present continuous tense of the verbs below. Use contractions.

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It's Wednesday morning and we (1) 're playing _____ in the snow. We usually (2) _____ to school on Wednesdays, but today it (3) _____. The teachers always (4) _____ the school when the weather is bad. I'm very happy because I have gym class today, and I (5) _____ gym class. It's difficult! My sister (6) _____ it, but she (7) _____ fun today. We both (8) _____ it to snow again tomorrow!

