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## Review present simple vs continuous

Vamos a recordar las principales diferencias entre **present simple** y **present continuous**:

Present simple	Present continuous
<b>Things that are always true:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Water boils at 100 degrees.</b></li></ul>	Things which are happening at the moment of speaking: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The water is boiling now, so you can put in the pasta.</li></ul>
<b>Permanent situations (or nearly permanent; true for a few years at least):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Julie lives in London.</b></li></ul>	Temporary situations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Julie is living in Paris for a few months (usually she lives in London). Situations which are slowly changing:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I'm getting better and better at speaking English.</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Habits or things we do regularly:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>I drink coffee every morning.</b></li></ul>	Temporary or new habits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I'm drinking too much coffee these days because I'm so busy at work. Annoying habits (usually with 'always'):<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• My flat mate is always leaving the kitchen in a mess!</li></ul></li></ul>

I - Choose the present simple or the present continuous - it could be positive, negative or question

1) \_\_\_\_\_ (you/come) tonight?

2) \_\_\_\_\_ (he/eat) rice every day?



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- 3) I \_\_\_\_\_ (work) at the moment.
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ (he/come) to London often?
- 5) He \_\_\_\_\_ (play) tennis now.
- 6) \_\_\_\_\_ (you/come) to the cinema later?
- 7) They \_\_\_\_\_ (not/come) to the party tomorrow.
- 8) He \_\_\_\_\_ (not/play) golf now.
- 9) \_\_\_\_\_ (you/play) tennis this Sunday?
- 10) They \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to a restaurant every Saturday.
- 11) She \_\_\_\_\_ (not/go) to the cinema very often.
- 12) You usually \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) late.
- 13) He normally \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) dinner at home.
- 14) \_\_\_\_\_ (you/study) every night?
- 15) \_\_\_\_\_ (they/work) late usually?
- 16) You \_\_\_\_\_ (not/go) out later.
- 17) I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/work) tonight.
- 18) \_\_\_\_\_ (she/work) at the moment?
- 19) I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/drink) coffee very often.
- 20) Julie \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) now.



**II - Read the two texts carefully. Then answer the questions.**



**Isabel**

“On Saturday mornings I usually get up late and do the housework. Then I meet some friends in town for lunch and go shopping in the afternoon”

But this Saturday is different! This morning Isabel got up early because today she’s getting married. She’s in church with all her family and friends. She’s wearing a white dress and her husband is standing next to her.

**Mark**

“On Christmas day we usually go to my parents’ house. We open our presents, then have a big lunch at about 2.00 in the afternoon”

But this Christmas is different! Mark and his wife are in Australia, they are visiting friends. This morning they went to church, and now they are having a barbecue next to the swimming pool. It’s hot and they’re wearing swimsuits.

1. What does Isabel usually do on Saturday mornings?

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2. What is she doing this Saturday?

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3. What does Mark usually do on Christmas day?

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4. What is he doing this Christmas?

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5. Underline the verbs in the two texts, compare between the verbs that describe **habits** (usually) and the verbs that describe **actions at the time of speaking** (this Saturday/ Christmas.../ Now ...). Then **complete the rules**:

a) When we describe **habits**, we put the verb in the \_\_\_\_\_ tense.

b) When we describe **actions at the time of speaking**, we put the verb in the \_\_\_\_\_ tense.

**Estimados estudiantes, la presente guía debe ser desarrollada en su cuaderno, en caso de no contar con impresora. Mientras no volvamos a la normalidad continuaremos entregando instrucciones y material a través de papi notas y los canales oficiales del colegio. Stay safe kids!!**