1. Read the following extracts and put the verbs in brackets into the present simple or the present continuous. Then, say what use of these tenses each extract shows. A These days, It seems everything 1) ...Is changing... (change). Cities 2) (become) bigger and busier every year, technology 3) (develop) faster than ever before, and scientists 4) (learn) more about the way things work.

B Water 1) (boil) at 100°C and 2) (freeze) when the temperature 3) (drop) below 0°C. Salt water 4) (be) different, however. C This film 1) (be) great! It 2) (have) an all-star cast and the script 3) (be) very funny. The action 4) (begin) when two young men 5) (try) to rob a bank....

D ... Rogers 1) (kick) the ball and 2) (pass) it to Jones. Jones 3) (run) down the pitch. He 4) (pass) the ball to Smith who 5) (shoot) and 6) (score).

2. Michael Mcintosh is a politician. Read the text and put the verbs in brackets into the present simple or the present continuous.

Michael Mcintosh 1) ...is... (be) a very busy man. Every morning, he 2) (leave) home at 8 o'clock, and 3) (go) to his office. He ) 4) (usually/have) meetings x until lunchtime, and in the afternoon, he 5) (often/visit) the people of Madewell. He really 6) (enjoy) talking to people. At the moment, he and his team 7) (organise) his election campaign. There are elections in June and he 8) (hope) to persuade lots of people to vote for him. Next month, he 9) (go) to London to meet the Prime Minister. They 10) (have) a meeting to discuss future plans for Madewell.

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

1 A: ... (you/know) that man over there?

B: Actually, I do. He's Muriel's husband.

2 A: Are you doing anything tomorrow evening?

B: Yes. I (see) Jack at nine o'clock.

3 A: Graham (have) a new computer.

B: I know. I've already seen it.

4 A: This dress (not/fit) me any more.

B: Why don't you buy a new one?

5 A: What is it?

B: It's a new perfume called Sunshine.

6 A: What is Jane doing?

B: She (smell) the flowers in the garden.

7 A: She (be) generous, isn't she?

B: Yes, she has never been a mean person.

8 A: This cake (taste) awful.

B:I think I forgot to put the sugar in it!

9. A:The children are making lots of noise today.

B: I know, but they (have) fun.

3. *Put the verbs in brackets into the present perfect or the present perfect continuous.* Dear Connie,

I hope you are enjoying yourself at university. I'm sure you 1)..... (study) hard. Everything is fine here at home. Billy 2) (just/receive) his school report. It was bad, as usual. He 3) (decide) to leave school next year and find a job. Fiona 4) (go) to the gym every day for the past two weeks. She 5) (try) to get in shape for the summer. She 6) (already/plan) her holiday in the sun. Your father 7 ) (sell) the old car and he 8 ) (buy) a new one. It's lovely - much nicer than the old one.

Anyway, write soon.

Love,

Mum

4. Choose the correct answer. 1 'What time does the train leave?' 'I think it.... at 2 o'clock.' A leaves B has been leaving C has left 2 'Where are Tom and Pauline?' 'They ......to the supermarket.' A have just gone B have been going C go 3 'What is Jill doing these days?' 'She .....for a job for six months.' A is looking B has been looking C looks 4 'Is Mandy watching TV?' 'No. She ......her homework right now.' A is always doing B is doing C does 5 'Have you been for a walk?' 'Yes. I often ......for walks in the evenings.' A have gone B am going C go 6 'Have you seen any films lately?' 'Yes. Actually, I .....two this week.' A have seen B am seeing C see 7 'What .....?' 'It's a piece of cherry pie. Mum made it yesterday.' A are you eating B do you eat C have you eaten 8 'Are you going on holiday this summer?' 'Yes. I .....enough money.' A am saving B have already saved C save 9 'Is Todd reading the newspaper?' 'No. He .....dinner at the moment.' A has been making B makes C is making 10 'Have you bought any new CDs recently?' 'Yes. Actually, I .....two this week.' A have bought B have been buying C am buying 11 'What time does the play start?'

'I think it .....at 8 o'clock.'
A has been starting B starts C has started
12 'Where is Mark?'
'He .....to the library to return some books.'
A has gone B has been C is going
13 'What .....?'
'It's a letter to my pen-friend. I'm telling her my news.'
A have you written B do you write C are you writing

5. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

Dear Nick,

This is just a short note to tell you I 1) ...'m arriving/arrive... (arrive) at the airport at 5 pm on Saturday, 10th December. I 2) (be) very busy recently, and that's why I 3) (not/write) to you for a while. I 4) (plan) this trip for months, so now I 5) (look forward) to spending some time with you and your family. 16) (hope) you will be able to meet me at the airport. Please give my love to your wife and the children. See you soon,

James

6. Correct the mistakes.

1 They have been to the shops. They'll be home soon.

2 Joe plays in the garden at the moment.

3 I am going to work by car every day.

4 The builders finish the block of flats already.

5 He has been breaking his arm.

6 Sam have just finished reading a very interesting book.

- 7 Water is boiling at 100°C.
- 8 John is living here since 1986.

9 I study this subject for five years.

10 Who has use my scissors?

7. Complete each sentence with two to five words, including the word in bold.

1 She hasn't finished cooking the meal yet.

still She is still cooking the meal.

2 I've never met such an interesting person.

ever He's the most interesting person I.....met.

3 He started repairing the roof three hours ago.

been He.....the roof for three hours.

4 They've never visited an old castle before.

first It's.....have visited an old castle.

5 Robert is still decorating the flat.

finished Robert .....the flat yet.

6 It's the most boring book I've ever read.

never I.....such a boring book.

7. He started playing rugby four years ago been He.....rugby for four years.

8. Put the verbs in brackets into the past simple or the past continuous.

A As soon as Margaret 1) ... (get) off the train, she 2) (pull) her coat around her. Rain 3) (fall) heavily and a cold wind 4) (blow) across the platform. She 5) (look) around, but no one 6) (wait) to meet her. She 7) (turn) to leave when she 8) (hear) footsteps. A man 9) (walk) towards her. He 10) (smile) at her, then he 11) (say), 'You're finally here.'

B George 1) (pick) up his bag then, 2) (throw) it over his shoulder. It 3) (get) dark and he 4) (have) a long way to go. He wished that he had let someone know that he was coming. It 5) (start) to rain, and he was feeling cold and tired from the long journey. Suddenly, he 6) (hear) a noise, then he 7) (see) two bright lights on the road ahead. A car 8) (head) towards him. It slowed down and finally 9) (stop) beside him. A man 10) (sit) at the wheel. He 11) (open) the door quickly and 12) (say) 'Get in, George.'

C Andy 1) (step) into the house and 2) (close) the door behind him. Everything 3) (be) quiet. His heart 4 ) (beat) fast and his hands 5 ) (shake) as he crept silently into the empty house, but he was trying not to panic. He soon 6) (find) what he 7) (look) for. He smiled with relief as he put on the clothes. The men who 8) (follow) him would never recognize him now.

9. Choose the correct answer.

1 'I find it hard to get up early.'

'You ...B... to getting up early once you start working.'

A are used B will get used C were used

2 'Do you often exercise now?'

'No, but I .....to exercise a lot when I was at school.'

A used B will get used C am used

3 'Aren't you bothered by all that noise?'

'No, we .....to noise. We live in the city center.'

A were used B will get used C are used

4 'Does your sister travel a lot?'

'No, but she .....to before she got married.'

A didn't use B used C wasn't used

5 'I don't like wearing a suit every day.'

'Don't worry, you .....to it very soon.'

A are used B will get used C were used

6 'Sandra .....to using a computer, but now she enjoys it.'

'It's a lot easier for her now.'

A isn't used B will get used C wasn't used

7 'Do you remember the things we .....to do when we were kids?'

'Of course I do. How could I forget what fun we had!'

A used B were used C got used

8 'Do you like living in the city?'

'Well, I .....to it yet, but it's okay.'

A am not used B wasn't used C am used

# 10. Put the verbs in brackets into the past perfect or the past perfect continuous.

A: Did you do anything last night?

B: I went to the gym and I..... (just/ arrive) home when Michael called me. He said he (try) to call me for ten minutes before I finally answered the phone.

- A: Did you catch any fish on your fishing trip today?
- B: Yes. I (sit) in the boat for two hours when I caught a huge fish.
- A: Did you enjoy the open-air concert yesterday?
- B: The music was good, but the weather was terrible. The concert (just/start) when suddenly, it began to rain. The musicians (only / play) for ten minutes.

A: What a shame!

- A: Was the house tidy when you got home?
- B: Yes, the children (dust) the furniture and they (put away) all of their toys.
- A: Why were you so upset this morning?
- B: Well, I (clean) the house for hours when the children came in with muddy shoes.
- A: Why are you so late for work this morning?
- B: I'm sorry. I (wait) for the train for over an hour before it eventually arrived.

11. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct past tense.

1 They ...were walking... (walk) in the park when the storm broke.

2 The man (pay) for his new car in cash.

3 I (already/eat) breakfast by the time the others woke up.

4 It (snow) for three days when suddenly the sun came out.

5 Sam (work) here for six years before he left to go to university.

6 Liz (go) to the Bahamas for her holidays last year.

7 We (watch) a film on TV when our guests arrived.

8 They (already/see) the film twice at the cinema when she rented it on video.

9 The teacher (teach) the children a song yesterday.

10 He (sit) on the train at this time yesterday morning.

12. Choose the correct answer.

1 'Are you going shopping tonight?'

'No, I ..... yesterday.'

A went B had gone C had been going

2 'Did you see Nathan?'

'No, he .....by the time I arrived at his house.'

A was leaving B had been leaving C had left

3 'Where is Scott?'

'He .....on the phone when I saw him.'

A was talking B talked C had talked

4 'How often do you clean your house?'

'I .....clean it once a week.' A seldom B usually C never 5 'Did Alan arrive on time?' 'No, I ......for an hour before he arrived.' A was waiting B had waited C had been waiting 6 'Did you go out for dinner last night?' 'No. I ......a lot at lunch, so I wasn't hungry.' A had been eating B had eaten C was eating 7 'What time do you finish work?' 'Actually, I.....' A have just finished B finish C finished 8 'Did you enjoy your holiday?' 'Yes, we .....in a fabulous hotel.' A have stayed B had stayed C stayed 9 'I like your dress. Is it new?' 'No. I .....it for ages.' A had B have C have had 10 'How is John now?' 'He .....better slowly.' A gets B is getting C has been getting

13. Correct the mistakes.

1 They are usually starting work at 9 o'clock.

2 Look! That man is having blue hair!

3 Do you study for your exams at the moment?

4 I was being late for work yesterday morning.

5 Dave has planned his holiday since Christmas.

6 Sheila is typing twenty letters so far this morning.

7 The sun has been setting in the west.

8 We were sleeping for an hour when the phone rang.

9 Lydia had been buying a new car last month.

14. Put the verbs in brackets into the future simple, the present simple or the present continuous.

1 A: I ...am seeing... (see) Roger at seven o'clock tonight.

B: Really? I thought he was out of town.

2 A: (you/do) anything on Friday morning?

B: No, I'm free.

3 A: I (go) to the cinema. There's a new film on. Do you want to come with me?

B: What time (the film/start)?

4 A: Helen (have) a party the day after tomorrow (you/go)?

B: As a matter of fact, I haven't been invited.

5 A: The new exhibition (open) on April 3rd and (finish) on May 31st.

B: I know. I (go) on the first day.

6 A: Aunt Maggie (come) to visit us tomorrow.

- B: I know. What time (she/arrive)?
- 7 A: Excuse me, what time (the train/leave)?

B: At half past three, madam.

15. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct future tense.

1 A: Are you looking forward to your holiday?

B: Oh, yes! This time next week I ...will be lying...(lie) on the beach.

2 A: We're having a party on Saturday.

B: Oh, good. I (make) a cake to bring along.

3 A: Have you finished that report yet?

B: Yes. I (give) it to you in a minute.

4 A: Why are you buying all those vegetables?

B: Because I (make) vegetable soup.

5 A: This writing is too small for me to read.

B: Give it to me and I (read) it to you.

6 A: I (stay) at Claire's house tonight.

B: All right. I won't expect you home, then.

7 A: Would you like to join me for lunch today?

B: Yes, please. I (meet) you at half past one.

8 A: (you/help) me with the shopping tomorrow?

B:Of course.

9 A: Are you excited about your trip?

B: Yes. This time tomorrow I (sit) on the plane.

10 A: I can't hear the television very well.

B: I (turn up) the volume.

16. Put the verbs in brackets into the future perfect or the future perfect continuous. 1 By 3 o'clock, she ... (study) for six hours.

2 By the end of next month, Sam (finish) the project.

3 He (not/start) painting the kitchen before Tuesday.

4 By the time she arrives in Paris, she (travel) for four hours.

5 I hope I (buy) my own house by the time I'm thirty-five.

6 By Saturday, Lisa (diet) for two weeks.

7 Hopefully, they (learn) everything by the time they sit the exam.

8 By 4 o'clock, I (sit) in the hairdresser's for three hours.

9 By Christmas, I (work) for this company for eighteen months.

10 By next weekend, Brian (move) house.

11 Hopefully, the builders (finish) building the house by next month.

17. Correct the mistakes.

1 This time tomorrow, John is lying on the beach.

2 Peter will help you when he will have finished his dinner.

3 Shall you do the shopping for me, please?

4 Sarah will finish decorating the Christmas tree by midnight.

5 Where do you spend your holidays this summer?

- 6 I was turning on the heating. It's cold in here.
- 7 The film has started at half past six.
- 8 Stop that noise or I'm going to take your toy away.
- 9 Moira can type these reports as soon as she will come back from her lunch break.
- 10 Perhaps the Jacksons have visited us tonight.
- 11 By the end of the year, Mrs Evans will be teaching for thirty years.
- 12 Jennifer will move to her new flat on Saturday. She has already arranged it.

### 18. Choose the correct answer.

When Jake (1) ...C... the door, he knew someone (2) in the house. Things were different. Earlier that morning, he (3) a man standing outside, and now he wondered if this man (4) for him to leave the house. Jake went into the kitchen. The window was open. He was sure he (5) it earlier. Next, he went into the garden. Jake knew something very strange (6) on. He went back into the house. He had just got to the top of the stairs (7) he heard a noise coming from the bedroom.

Slowly, he opened the door and there, lying in the middle of the bed, was his sister! She (8) ! Jake was very relieved.

- 1 A has opened B opens C opened
- 2 A had been B is C has been
- 3 A was seeing B had seen C has seen
- 4 A is B waited C had been waiting
- 5 A had closed B was closing C had been closing
- 6 A was going B went C have been going
- 7 A after B when C while
- 8 A was sleeping B slept C had slept

19. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct infinitive form or the ing form.

- 1 It's no use ...talking... (talk) to Bob; he won't change his mind.
- 2 She will (return) the books next weekend.
- 3 It was good of you (help) me fix my bicycle.
- 4 The man suggested (call) the police in, to investigate.
- 5 I can't get used to (live) in such a hot country.
- 6 He admitted (rob) the bank.
- 7 You had better (hurry), or you will be late for work.
- 8 They refused (give) me my money back.
- 9 She is too short (become) a fashion model.
- 10 My parents let me (stay) up late at weekends.

## 20. Rewrite the following passage in the passive.

Yesterday afternoon, a volcanic eruption destroyed an entire village. Mount Sirius, which experts thought was dormant, erupted at 3 pm. Tourists had seen smoke rising

from the mouth of the volcano two days before. The police moved the villagers away from the area for their own safety. Tons of lava and rock came out of the volcano and wrecked houses, roads and trees. Although the blast physically injured only a few people, doctors are treating many for shock. The authorities are keeping the area surrounding Mount Sirius clear in case of further activity.

21. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct active or passive tense.

1 This tree is very old. It ...was planted... (plant) in the 19th century.

2 This piece of music (not/record) yet. I've just composed it.

3 The thieves (steal) the jewellery from the safe yesterday.

4 We began work early, but we (not/finish) until late.

5 Jenny (complain) to the manager about the faulty items at the moment.

6 This photograph (take) by my grandfather when I was five.

7 Don't touch the saucepan. You might (burn) yourself.

8 We (delay) because there was a lot of traffic this morning.

9 Not much (know) about this complicated subject.

10 I'm going home now because all the work (do).

11 The new nightclub (close) by the council last week.

12 Jessica (run) two kilometres every day before work.

13 Jim's house is very modern. It (build) only two years ago.

14 Don't stay up late tonight, or else you (be) tired tomorrow.

22. There are seven unnecessary words in the text below. Cross them out.

1 St Patrick s Hospital, which was been completed I

2 last week, is to be opened this afternoon by the Minister

3 of Health. The hospital it was built on the site of the old

4 Opera House and is then the largest hospital in the I

5 county. The wards they are modern and spacious, and -

6 the building is filled by with the most up-to-date

7 equipment. The money for the hospital was been

8 raised by charity organisations and the Minister did

9 congratulated them on their hard work.

23. Yesterday, Marion met a couple who were on holiday in London. They were looking at a map. She asked them some questions. Turn them into reported questions 1 'Are you lost?'

2 'Can you speak English?'

3 'Where are you from?'

4 'Is your hotel near here?'

5 'Where do you want to go?'

6 'Were you looking for Big Ben?'

7 'Have you been to the British Museum?'

8 'Have you visited Buckingham Palace?'

9 'Do you like London?'

24 Turn the following sentences into reported speech.

1 The doctor said to the patient, 'Come back to see me again next week.'

... The doctor told the patient to go back and see him again the following week/the week after:

- 2 The guard said to the driver, 'Stop!'
- 3 He said, 'Shall we go for a walk?'
- 4 She said to him, 'Please, please don't leave me!'
- 5 Jenny said to Dave, 'Please help me with this.'
- 6 She said to him, 'Open the window, please.'
- 7 Mother said, 'How about going for a drive?'

8 She said, 'Let's eat now.'

25 Fill in is or are.

- 1 Be careful! Those scissors ... are ... very sharp.
- 2 Maths John's .....favourite subject at school.
- 3 The police .....investigating the crime.
- 4 These trousers .....too big for me.
- 5 The stairs .....in my house made of wood.
- 6 His new furniture .....very modern.
- 7 The weather ......going to be bad this weekend.
- 8 My advice .....that you get a new job.
- 9 His new clothes .....very fashionable.
- 10 The team ......all training hard for Saturday's match.
- 11 The money .....in the jar for this week's shopping.
- 12 My pyjamas .....not on my bed. Where they?
- 13 Mumps .....a childhood disease.
- 14 My luggage .....in the car already.
- 15 Your hair .....very long again.
- 16 Tom's gloves .....made of soft leather.
- 17 The class .....all working on a project together.
- 18 Athletics .....my favourite sport.
- 19 My shoes .....too small for me now.

26. Fill in a, an or the where necessary.

A 1) life is hard for 2) elderly. Sometimes they need 3) help to get about and do 4) things that 5) younger people take for granted.

B We went to 1) London by 2) train. 3) train was late, so 4) we had to wait at 5) station for 6) hour. bought 7) magazine to read and we sat in 8) waiting room. C I can't remember 1) name of 2) hotel, but it was 3) large building by 4) sea. It had 5) swimming pool and 6) restaurant. 7) staff were friendly and we had 8) lovely holiday.

27 *There are fourteen unnecessary words in the text below. Cross them out.* 1 On 8th August 1963, a man was named Bruce

2 Reynolds and fourteen of his friends were held up

3 a mail train which it was on its way to Glasgow.

4 They stole 120 mailbags which containing

 $5 \pounds 2,600,000$ , and took them to a one secret

6 house in the country. They had shared out 7 the money and then separated. Six of other

8 men were being paid to burn down the country

9 house for to destroy any evidence, but they

10 didn't succeed. The police were found

11 the fingerprints of the train robbers and managed

12 to catch twelve of the fifteen men.

13 The men were sent to the prison, but one

14 of them (a man who named Ronnie Biggs)

15 escaped in 1965. He had a plastic surgery

16 and moved to the Brazil.

#### 27 Underline the correct word(s).

1 You mustn't/needn't leave. I'm not busy right now.

2 They needn't/didn't need to pay for the water. It was free.

3 The children are sleeping. They can't/shouldn't be making a noise.

4 Sarah can't/could run very fast when she was young.

5 After studying hard, Lisa was able to/could pass the exam.

6 I didn't need to/shouldn't go shopping, so I went home instead.

7 Finally, George could/was able to reach the top of the mountain.

8 I could/can climb trees when I was young, but I can't now.

9 You were at work. You needn't/can't have watched the match.

10 Sally needn't/couldn't bring anything with her. I've got everything we may need.

#### 28. Write questions to which the words in bold are the answers.

Claudette is **32 years old**. She lives **in Paris, France**, and has lived there **since she was 5 years old**. Claudette works as **a lawyer** for a successful law firm, and she travels to work **by car** every day. Claudette is married. Her husband's name is **Jean**. They have **two** dogs. She loves **to take the dogs for long walks** every evening **after work**. Claudette has several hobbies, such as **reading and playing the piano**, but her **favourite hobby is cooking**. Jean thinks this is good, too, **because he gets to eat the wonderful meals** she makes.