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General Intermediate

Homework - Unit 3: Just a job?



Recognizing tenses

1. Look at the photos. What do the people do?
What are they doing at the moment?

Sanjeev Singh

He's a _____
He's serving a customer.

Dave Telford

He's a _____
He's _____

2. Read the texts. Complete the charts with the
present verb forms in *italics*.

Present tenses	Sanjeev
Present Simple	have, run, don't have
Present Continuous	
Present Simple passive	
Present Continuous passive	

Present tenses	Dave
Present Simple	work
Present Continuous	
Present Simple passive	

SANJEEV SINGH

I ~~have~~ a small corner shop on the outskirts of Birmingham. I ~~run~~ it with my wife Farida. We ~~don't have~~ any days off, our whole life *is controlled* by the shop. The shop *opens* everyday at 6 a.m. and *doesn't close* until 11 p.m.. We *sell* everything - from biscuits to batteries, light bulbs to lemonade. Our shelves *are* always *stocked* right up to the ceiling. People *need* shops like ours for all the things they *forget* to get at the supermarket. We're *entering* the Best Small Shop in Britain Competition this year, so the shop *is being redecorated* at the moment - my nephew, Suneet, *is doing* it for us. Running a shop is hard work, but we *love* it - we're *serving* our community.



DAVE TELFORD

I'm a police officer. I ~~work~~ in Devon, in the south-west of England. I *love* my job, but my passion is surfing - it's why I *live* near the sea. I work different shifts. I *hate* the morning shift because it *begins* at 5 a.m. My favourite shift *goes* from 2 p.m. till midnight. I work ten hours a day for four days then I'm *given* three days off. My job is often stressful and challenging, but I *like* working in a team. I go surfing to get away from it all, not just from work - I'm *going* through a rather messy divorce at the moment. I *travel* all over the world surfing. This year I'm *training* for the World Surfing Games in Costa Rica.



Simple or continuous?

3. Complete the sentences using the verb and the tense given.

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| open | 1. PRESENT SIMPLE - We _____ our shop at 6 a.m. every day. |
| | 2. PRESENT CONTINUOUS - Starbucks _____ a new shop on the High Street this week. |
| work | 3. PRESENT SIMPLE - Dave _____ ten hours a day, four days a week. |
| | 4. PRESENT CONTINUOUS - He _____ (not) today because it's his day off. |
| give | 5. PRESENT SIMPLE PASSIVE - Police officers _____ three days off a week. |
| | 6. PRESENT CONTINUOUS - Suneet _____ up his weekend to help his uncle. |
| think | 7. PRESENT SIMPLE - Dave _____ police officers work very hard. |
| | 8. PRESENT CONTINUOUS - Sanjeev _____ of opening another shop for his nephew to run. |
| serve | 9. PRESENT SIMPLE PASSIVE - Excellent south Indian curries _____ in the restaurant next door. |
| | 10. PRESENT CONTINUOUS PASSIVE - A special south Indian curry _____ there tonight. |

What's the question?

4. Read the answers to questions about Sanjeev and Dave. Complete the questions.

Sanjeev

Who does he run the shop with?

1. His wife, Farida.

How many _____?

2. They don't get any. They work every day of the week.

What kinds _____ sold in the shop?

3. All kinds - from biscuits to batteries, light bulbs to lemonade.

Why is _____ redecorated?

4. Because they are entering a competition.

Dave

5. _____ near the sea?

Because he loves surfing.

6. _____ job like?

Very stressful and challenging.

7. How many _____ given?

Three days a week.

8. _____ at the moment?

He's training for the World Surfing Games.

Sanjeev

He lives in Manchester.

9. He doesn't live in Manchester. He lives in Birmingham.

Farida works in a hospital.

10. _____. She _____ in their shop.

They have Sundays off.

11. _____ any days _____. They _____.

The shelves in the shop are often empty.

12. _____. They _____ up to ceiling.

Dave

He likes the morning shift best.

13. _____. His favourite _____ goes from 2 till midnight.

He has a happy marriage.

14. _____. He _____ a divorce.

He's training to run a marathon.

15. _____ the World Surfing Games.

He's going to Miami soon.

16. _____ Costa Rica.

Questions and negatives

5. Read the text about Kumiko Mogi and complete the exercises.

Complete the questions in the Present Simple.

1. How fast _____? 300 km/h.
2. How many passengers _____? 800
3. How long _____? Two hours 48 minutes.
4. How much _____? 125,000 yen.
5. How many women _____? 1,300

Complete Kumiko's questions about the passengers in the Present Continuous.

6. What _____?
7. Who _____?
8. How many bags _____?
9. What books or newspaper _____?

Complete the negative sentences.

10. Mogi / not sell / ice cream / winter. _____
11. People / not want beef / rice / breakfast. _____
12. She / not got whisky. _____
13. The trolley girls / not sit down. _____
14. Mogi / not turn / back on / customers. _____
15. She / not want / be promoted. _____

KUMIKO MOGI Queen of the trolley girls on Japanese trains

KUMIKO MOGI is 27 and the most successful snack food saleswoman on the Japanese train network. Bullet trains travel at 300 km/h and carry 800 passengers, but they have no dining cars. Mogi works on the train that goes from Yamagata to Tokyo. The journey takes two hours 48 minutes.

Ordinary wagon girls earn about 25,000 yen (£110) on the six-hour return journey. Mogi earns 125,000 yen.

She is more successful than all her colleagues, and she is now an instructor to the 1,300 women who work on the East Japan Railways bullet trains.

'The important thing in this job,' she says, 'is to know the customers. I look at them very carefully as they are getting on the train, and I ask myself these questions.

- What are the passengers wearing?
- Who are they travelling with?
- How many bags are they carrying?
- What books or newspapers are they reading?



Based on the answers, she decides what people will want to eat and drink. 'If it's hot, I sell a lot of banana cakes and iced coffee for breakfast. No ice cream in winter. People buy lunchboxes of beef and rice. I also have dried fish, salted beef tongue, and beer. But there's no whisky in my trolley.'

The trolley girls have no seats. They carry on selling until the door opens at the terminus.

She pulls her trolley, she doesn't push it. 'I never turn my back on the customers. I can look at their faces all the time and work out what they want.'

Does she want to be promoted and do something different? 'Of course not,' she replies. 'You can see that I'm perfect for this job.'

Present Simple passive

6. Put the verbs in brackets into the Present Simple passive.

1. Open plan offices _____ (dislike) by 40% of workers.
2. 52% of Internet use in the office _____ (not relate) to work.
3. Nearly half of work time _____ (waste) on chatting, drinking coffee, and taking personal calls.
4. In 80% of offices, employees _____ (ban) from using social media sites.
5. More than 123 billion business emails _____ (send) worldwide every day.
6. Both employers and employees _____ (stress) by the number of emails they receive.
7. On average, 32 hours a month _____ (spend) on unproductive meetings.
8. 93% of new products which _____ (introduce) each year fail.

Present Continuous passive

7. Put the verbs in brackets into the Present Continuous passive.

1. At the moment, many employees _____ (make) redundant in order to save money.
2. As a result, many employees are now complaining that they _____ (overwork) by their employers.
3. Another complaint is that they _____ (underpay) for the increased amount of work they now do.

State and activity verbs

8. Some verbs rarely take the continuous form. These are called state verbs. Complete the sentences with a verb from the lists below.



believe know remember forget think love like need
prefer hope seem hear smell taste see feel



belong have own cost contain mean depend not matter

1. That phone belongs to Justin.
2. Britain _____ a population of 68.3 million.
3. I _____ your face, but I've forgotten your name - sorry!
4. I really _____ a haircut. My hair is way too long.
5. _____ you _____ this apartment, or do you rent it?
6. Petrol _____ over 1.96 Euros a litre.
7. This dessert _____ delicious. Can I have the recipe?
8. Good luck! I _____ the test goes well.
9. We might have a picnic. It _____ on the weather.
10. I like both tea and coffee, but I _____ tea.
11. If you _____ (not) the answer, don't put your hand up.
12. That's not true! I _____ (not) a word you say.

Present Continuous passive

9. Some state verbs can take the continuous form with a change in meaning. Complete the sentences using the Present Simple or Continuous as needed.

think

opinion

possible plan

1. I _____ you'll get the job.
2. _____ of applying for a new job.

have

possession

activity

3. He _____ a brand new motorbike.
4. She _____ a great time in Majorca.

see

appointment

understand

5. What time _____ you _____ the doc?
6. I _____ what you mean.

love

a feeling

enjoyment

7. Tim and Sam _____ each other.
8. I _____ this holiday. It's great.

Phrasal verbs+ noun (1)

1. Many phrasal verbs go with a noun. Match a verb in A with a noun in B.

A	B
1. take up	a. a new suit
2. look after	b. golf
3. fill in	c. the truth
4. find out	d. your jacket if you're hot
5. try on	e. your phone in a meeting
6. look up	f. your work colleagues
7. pick up	g. an application form
8. take off	h. somebody from the airport
9. turn off	i. a word in a dictionary
10. get on with	j. sick patients

Word formation

2. Complete the sentences with one of the phrasal verbs in its correct form.

1. **A:** Can I _____ these jeans, please?
B: Sure. The changing rooms are over there.
2. I can't go out tonight. I'm _____ the children.
3. If you're so bored, why don't you _____ a new hobby.
4. No one's watching the TV. _____ it _____.
5. **A:** What do I do with this form?
B: Just _____ it _____ and give it to the receptionist.
6. Please _____ your dirty shoes before you come in.
7. I _____ well _____ my sister, but not my brother. He and I fight all the time.
8. His train gets in at 14.42. Can you _____ him _____ from the station?
9. **A:** I don't know what time my train leaves.
B: Don't worry, I'll _____ it _____ for you online.
10. **A:** What's the matter? You look upset.
B: I've just _____ that I didn't get the job.

1. Read about 'The Cowboys in the Sky' and complete gaps 1-14 with the correct word from 1-14 below.



New York City is famous worldwide for its skyscrapers. The term 'skyscraper'

1. _____ for buildings over 50m high and currently, over 50 skyscrapers

2. _____ in New York City.

The ironworkers who 3. _____ the steel frames for these buildings

4. _____ as 'cowboys in the sky'. Johnny Malone is one of 100 or so of

these 'cowboys' who 5. _____ on a new 40-story building in Times

Square 6. _____.

Ironwork is a trade that is 7. _____ handed down from father to son.

Johnny's great-grandfather helped build the Empire State Building. Johnny

loves his job. He 8. _____ very proud when he 9. _____ the New York

skyline. He says: 'We ironworkers work hard and play hard. It's a very

10. _____ job and we 11. _____ many days 12. _____. When we

do, we often 13. _____ the time together - we all 14. _____ well with

each other - you have to in this job.'

1. describes is called is used

2. are building are being built are built

3. erect builds are making

4. are known are called are named

5. are worked work are working

6. usually these days at the moment

7. frequently never from time to time

8. is feeling feels takes

9. looks after looks up looks at

10. busy stressful violent

11. have don't have are given

12. on off away

13. take keep spend

14. go on get on put in