

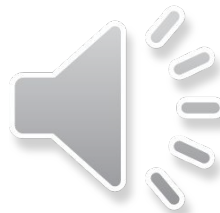
# Grammar

Present Simple  
and  
Present Continuous



Listen to the  
audio and  
answer the  
questions

Where is Gary?  
What is he doing?





Now listen and read and check your answers.



Hi! It's Gary here, lead singer. Today I'm writing the band's blog at a special event in a skate park. We've got photographers and reporters with us, but we aren't singing at the moment. One reporter, Ali, is asking us lots of questions: "What do you normally do on Saturday afternoons? What are you doing today?" We tell Ali about our lives. We often travel from one city to the next on Saturday afternoons. Then in the evening we usually play live in concert. We don't normally skateboard! Today there are lots of skate boarders around because we're filming our new music video. They're doing some amazing tricks. I love the video!

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## Present Simple

- They usually travel on a tour bus.
- He doesn't write his blog every day.
- Do they speak English?  
Yes, they do.

Usually, always, never, hardly  
ever ...  
Every (day, week, month...),  
once/twice a day, a week...



## Present Continuous

- He's travelling a lot these days.
- They aren't recording a song at the moment.
- Is she skateboarding now? No, she isn't.

Now, at the moment  
Today, this week, this month...

## State Verbs.

- These Verbs are NEVER used in Continuous!
- Like, love, hate, know, understand, want, need.



## Choose the correct option.

- Ali and Gary *sit* / *are sitting* on a bench at a skate park.
- Gary usually *sings* / *is singing* in concerts on Saturday evenings.
- The band members *don't often visit* / *aren't often visiting* skate parks.
- The skateboarders *do* / *are doing* some fantastic skateboard tricks at the moment.
- Sara *always wears* / *is always wearing* her lucky blue helmet.
- Several people *film* / *are filming* skateboarders.



# Make questions!

## Use Present Simple or Present Continuous.

- The people in the park / film / skateboarders
- *Are the people in the park filming skate boarders?*
- Gary / work / as a reporter
- *Does Gary work as a reporter?*
- Ali / ask / questions at the moment
- *Is Ali asking questions at the moment?*
- The band members / usually play / live in concert on Saturday
- *Do the band members usually play live in concerts on Saturdays?*
- The skateboarders / perform / in a competition today
- *Are the skateboarders performing in a competition today?*



## Complete the text with the correct form of the verb in brackets.



My name's Sara. I love (love) skateboarding. I'm a real fan. I practice (practice) at a local park every weekend. I don't often go (not/often/do) competitions because I'm from a small town.

I'm very excited today because I 'm performing (perform) in a video for a famous band. At the moment we 're getting (get ) ready. Lots of people are coming (come) into the park now. My mom and dad are sitting (sit) near the front because they want (want) to upload photos for their friends!





# Is it True or False for you and your teacher?



You love loud music

☐☐

You are wearing a T-shirt

☐☐

You always make your bed in the morning

☐☐

You are reading a good book at the moment

☐☐

You hate tidying your room

☐☐

You are studying hard this week

☐☐

You want to live in the countryside one day

☐☐

You never read blogs

☐☐

You are waiting for something to arrive by post

☐☐

You don't know how to make a cake

☐☐

You sometimes forget to bring your book to school

☐☐

You understand what state verbs are

☐☐

You don't often watch TV

☐☐

You often do exercise after school

☐☐

You think English is more difficult than Russian

☐☐

