

LESSON 1

PRESENT

Simple

Progressive

Perfect

Perfect Progressive

Present simple

Form	statement: I/You/We/They travel ...	He/She/It travels ...
	negative: I/You/We/They don't travel ...	He/She/It doesn't travel ...
	question: Do I/you/we/they travel ...?	Does he/she/it travel ...?

Use	Example
Current habits	Toby walks to work.
To talk about how often things happen	Angela doesn't visit us very often.
Permanent situations	Carlo works in a travel agent's.
States	Do you have an up-to-date passport?
General truths and facts	Poland is in the European Union.

Watch out!

- We can also use *do/does* in present simple statements for emphasis.
 'You don't like going by bus, do you?' 'Actually, I **do like** going by bus for short distances.'
 The bus isn't quicker than the train, but it **does stop** right outside the factory.

Present continuous

Form	<i>statement:</i> I am driving ... You/We/They are driving ... He/She/It is driving ...
	<i>negative:</i> I'm not driving ... You/We/They aren't driving ... or You're/We're/They're not driving ... He/She/It isn't driving ... or He's/She's/It's not driving ...
	<i>question:</i> Am I driving ...? Are you/we/they driving ...? Is he/she/it driving ...?

Use	Example
Actions happening now	<i>Mike is driving to work at the moment.</i>
Temporary series of actions	<i>Taxi drivers aren't stopping at the train station because of the roadworks.</i>
Temporary situations	<i>Are they staying in a hotel near the Olympic stadium?</i>
Changing and developing situations	<i>Holidays abroad are becoming increasingly popular.</i>
Annoying habits (usually with <i>always</i>)	<i>Dad is always cleaning the car when I want to use it!</i>

Present perfect simple

Form *have/has* + past participle

statement: *I/You/We/They* **have flown** ...

negative: *I/You/We/They* **haven't flown** ...

question: **Have** *I/you/we/they* **flown** ...?

He/She/It **has flown** ...

He/She/It **hasn't flown** ...

Has *he/she/it* **flown** ...?

Use

Example

Situations and states that started in the past and are still true

She's had her motorbike for over six years.

A series of actions continuing up to now

We've travelled by taxi, bus, plane and train – all in the last twenty-four hours!

Completed actions at a time in the past which is not mentioned

Have you ever **flown** in a helicopter?

Completed actions where the important thing is the present result

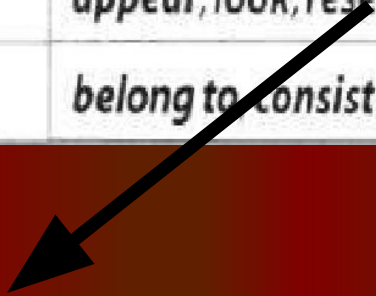
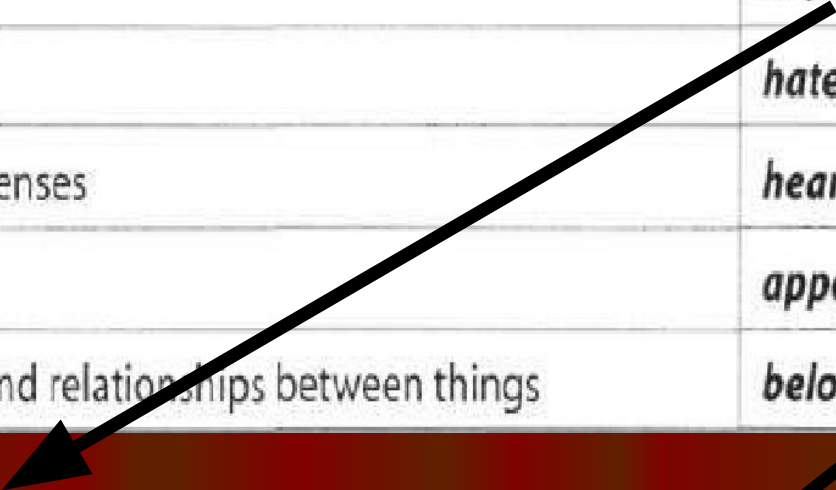
I've booked the coach tickets.

Present perfect continuous

Form	statement: I/You/We/They have been travelling ...	He/She/It has been travelling ...
	negative: I/You/We/They haven't been travelling ...	He/She/It hasn't been travelling ...
	question: Have I/you/we/they been travelling ...?	Has he/she/it been travelling ...?

Use	Example
Actions continuing up to the present moment	We have been driving for hours. Can't we have a break soon?
Actions stopping just before the present moment	I'm out of breath because I've been running to get here in time.

Use Stative verbs often refer to:	Example
thinking	<i>believe, imagine, know, mean, think, understand</i>
existence	<i>be, exist</i>
emotions	<i>hate, like, love, need, prefer, satisfy, want</i>
the human senses	<i>hear, see, smell, sound, taste</i>
appearance	<i>appear, look, resemble, seem</i>
possession and relationships between things	<i>belong to, consist of, have, include, involve, own</i>



**Быть,
Появляться
возникать**

**Походить,
Иметь
сходство**

Circle the correct word or phrase.

- 1 Elizabeth **usually goes** / **is usually going** to bed at around eleven o'clock.
- 2 Dan **talks** / **is talking** on the other phone right now.
- 3 We **don't eat** / **aren't eating** any meat at the moment as we're both on a diet.
- 4 **Does air travel get** / **Is air travel getting** increasingly safe?
- 5 My mum **calls** / **is calling** me every weekend without fail.
- 6 How much **do babysitters generally earn** / **are babysitters generally earning**?
- 7 **You always come** / **You're always coming** up with excuses for not having done your homework. It's so annoying!
- 8 **I don't go** / **I'm not going** out much during the week, but I **always try** / **I'm always trying** to go out somewhere on Saturday night.
- 9 No, the train **does stop** / **is stopping** at Cirencester on Saturdays.
- 10 My mum **takes** / **is taking** part in ice-skating competitions almost every weekend.

B Rewrite correctly. Change the words or phrases in bold.

1 My dad **is often getting up** late on Saturday mornings.

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2 **Are you speaking** any other languages apart from English?

.....

3 **I already buy** all my Christmas presents and it's only October!

.....

4 It's the first time **I'm ever having** a party at home.

.....

5 Actually, I think Darren **does works** quite hard sometimes.

.....

6 Carlo **is never eating** Chinese food before.

.....

7 Sean **already books** a table for tonight.

.....

8 **Needs Melanie** any help painting her new flat?

C Complete using the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 It's the first time (I / **ever** / **eat**) octopus!
- 2 Sandy (**not** / **see**) his sister since she went to university.
- 3 They (**go**) on holiday to Spain and won't be back until the end of the month.
- 4 Poor Marusya! She (**write**) that essay for hours now and she still hasn't finished!
- 5 (**you** / **ever** / **meet**) anyone famous?
- 6 (I / **try**) to get in touch with Jenny all morning, but I can't find her anywhere.
- 7 (I / **not finish**) the book yet so I can't tell you what happens.
- 8 (**you** / **already** / **decide**) where you're going this summer?
- 9 (**We** / **live**) here for the last six years.
- 10 (I / **never** / **hear**) such nonsense!

D Complete using the words in the box.

already • **before** • **ever** • **for** • **just** • **rarely** • **since** • **so** • **still** • **yet**

- 1 Have you dreamt of winning the lottery?
- 2 I haven't worked out how to set the timer on the video
- 3 My dad's lived in the same house he was born.
- 4 The film's only been on a couple of minutes.
- 5 Bruce has knocked three men out of the competition far.
- 6 I get the chance to get any exercise – I'm just too busy.
- 7 He's only got home.
- 8 It's eleven o'clock and Todd hasn't come home. Where could he be?
- 9 I've never met Ruth What's she like?
- 10 Have you finished ? That was quick!

E Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Ian a shower at the moment, so could you call back in about half an hour?
A takes
B is taking
C has taken
D has been taking
- 2 to Ipswich before?
A Do you ever go
B Are you ever going
C Have you ever been
D Have you ever been going
- 3 I to all the local newspapers and TV stations to complain.
A already write
B already writing
C have already written
D have already been writing
- 6 That's the first time an answer right today!
A I get
B I am getting
C I have got
D I have been getting
- 7 Jessica has left, I'm afraid.
A already
B yet
C still
D so far
- 8 Dan in the living room while we redecorate his bedroom.
A sleeps
B is sleeping
C has slept
D does sleep
- 9 Unfortunately, Simonne a day

D have already been writing

4 TV for the last four hours? Turn it off and get some exercise!

A Do you watch

B Are you watching

C Watched you

D Have you been watching

5 Edik, hockey competitively or just for fun?

A do you usually play

B are you usually playing

C have you usually played

D have you usually been playing

9 Unfortunately, Simone a day off very often.

A doesn't get

B isn't getting

C hasn't got

D hasn't been getting

10 Actually, I a cup of tea first thing every morning, but then I switch to coffee.

A do drink

B am drinking

C have drunk

D have been drinking

F Complete using the correct form of the words in the box.

be • disagree • do • include • know • look • see • seem • understand

The City of Omsk

Everyone (1) about the stunning sights to see in Moscow and St. Petersburg. The beautiful city of Omsk, one of the oldest cities in western Siberia, (2) not so well-known. Unfortunately, the 2700 km journey from Moscow just (3) too far for many travellers to Russia. For those who (4) travel there, however, there are a number of interesting things to see and do. These (5) visiting the Tobolskie and Tarskie Gates, which were the first stone buildings in Omsk, the Museum of Local Lore and the modern shops on Lyubinsky Avenue. When you (6) Krestovozdvizhensky Cathedral lit up in the moonlight, you (7) why it's worth making the effort to come here.

Few historians (8) with Omsk's historical importance – it was even the capital of Russia for a short period at the beginning of the 20th century. As travelling across Russia becomes easier, it (9) like Omsk may also have a bright future – as a popular destination for tourists.

G Match to make sentences.

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|----------|------------------------|----------|---|
| 1 | I think | A | darker hair than her sister. |
| 2 | I'm thinking | B | I'm going to buy the new <i>Racetrack</i> CD. |
| 3 | Phil's looking | C | a haircut at the moment. |
| 4 | Phil looks | D | for his glasses. Have you seen them? |
| 5 | Claire has | E | not old enough to drive a car. |
| 6 | Claire is having | F | of getting Dad a CD for his birthday. |
| 7 | Andy is | G | very annoying at the moment! |
| 8 | Andy is being | H | like he needs a holiday! |

International friends

1 I've been to travelling round Europe all summer. It's the first time I've
2 ever been going abroad, and I've had a fantastic time! I've seen
3 loads of interesting places and I have to also made loads of new friends.
4 I've been decided to stay in touch with them now I'm back. One of
5 them, Giselle, is French. She was making on holiday too. We now send
6 text messages are to each other all the time. They're usually in English
7 because my French isn't very good! I'm planning to have visit her in
8 France next year sometime. I hope I can. I am love meeting people from
9 other countries! I want to have had lots of friends from all over the world!
10 Travelling certainly broadens the mind, but it also is broadens your circle of
friends!

Holiday Blues

'You've (1) looking at that timetable for the last ten minutes. It can't be that confusing!' said Sheila angrily.

'I (2) wish you'd be quiet! I've (3) a splitting headache thanks to you!' replied Matt.

'Mum! Dad! Please!' said Alison. 'You're both (4) very silly. (5) is no point at all in blaming each other. That's not going to help us find out what time the next train to Budapest is due to leave.'

'You (6) quite right, darling. I (7) sorry,' said Sheila.

'Me too,' mumbled Matt. 'Now, let's have another look at this timetable. Well, it (8) like we (9) definitely missed the last train today. That was the 18.20 we just missed, wasn't it?'

'I (10) so,' said Sheila. 'I mean, it did leave at 18.20. Whether it's actually going to Budapest or not is another question.'

'Well, one thing is (11) in doubt,' said Matt.

'What's that?' asked Sheila and Alison together.

'This is the worst holiday we've (12) been on,' said Matt. 'Next year, we're going to try something far less adventurous.'

'Agreed!' said Sheila and Alison.

Homework

- **Rules**
- **Page 8-11**
- **bring page 12**

4

Put the verbs in brackets into the *present perfect* or the *present perfect continuous*.



Pam: What are you doing, Ben?

Ben: I 1) *'ve been looking through* (**look through**) my old toy box all morning. It brings back lots of memories. Look, I 2) (**find**) my old train set!

Pam: You 3) (**play**) with those trains for over an hour. I 4) (**watch**) you.

Ben: They're great! I 5) (**not/have**) so much fun for years. Look at this one!

Pam: Yes, Ben – it's a very nice train. But 6) (**you/see**) the time?

Ben: No... Why?

Pam: It's 10:30 am. Your boss 7) (**just/phone**) from the office.

Ben: What for?

Pam: He 8) (**wait**) for you all morning. You have an important meeting.

Ben: Oh no! I lost track of time!

5 Write one word for each space.

Dear Jessica,

How 1) *are* things? I'm sorry that I haven't sent you an email but I've been really busy lately.

For the last two days, I have 2) organising a surprise party for my best friend, Sally. I have 3) decorated the house with balloons and coloured lights. I still have so many things to do but luckily, Sophie and Pat have been helping with the preparations.

So far, Sophie 4) invited all our friends 5) Pat has bought Sally's present but we haven't ordered a cake or bought any snacks and soft drinks 6)

7) be fine.

8) have you been doing lately? Have you decided 9) you'll visit us? I hope you can come during the summer holidays. I do miss you.

Write soon. I can't wait 10) hear all your news.

Love,
Pamela

4 Put the verbs in brackets into the *present perfect* or the *present perfect continuous*.

- 1 Don't walk in there! I **(just/clean)** the floor.
2 Jane's hungry. She **(not/eat)** since breakfast.
3 He is tired. He **(study)** for four hours.
4 I don't want to see that film again. I **(already/see)** it twice.
5 Sandy **(teach)** English for ten years.
6 Bruno **(not/do)** the washing-up yet.
7 He **(work)** all morning.
8 They **(play)** in the garden for two hours.

(Points: —)

Use the *present simple*, the *present continuous* or the *present perfect* to complete the email.

Hello, Annie!

How are you? I'm so sorry I 1) (**not/write**) for so long but I 2) (**have**) a lot of exams lately. I 3) (**sit**) for three final exams so far this week and next week I 4) (**take**) a Maths and History test! Mr Jones, our Maths teacher 5) (**always/give**) us lots of homework – it 6) (**be**) very annoying but I know he only 7) (**want**) to help us! Anyway, how about you? When 8) (**you/sit**) your final exams? 9) (**you/study**) hard these days, too?

Well, I have to go now because Mum 10) (**just/call**) me for dinner.
Please keep in touch!

Love,
Laura

Choose the correct item.

- 1 Helen a fax at the moment.
A is sending B sends C has sent
- 2 They haven't seen each other they left camp.
A before B for C since
- 3 My mother in a hospital. She's a nurse.
A works B is working C has worked
- 4 Have you called a taxi?
A rarely B yet C just
- 5 He in Italy before.
A lives B is living C has lived
- 6 He his leg, so he can't play football.
A has broken B breaks C is breaking
- 7 Paul Paris for two years now.
A has been to B has gone to C has been in
- 8 Costas a bath at the moment.
A is having B has C has had
- 9 I haven't been to Portsmouth three years.
A since B for C just
- 10 They left the house an hour
A last B before C ago
- 11 I've tidied my bedroom.
A already B lately C yet
- 12 He's late for school. He can't wake up in the morning.
A never B always C rarely
- 13 Yesterday, we dinner at an excellent Chinese restaurant.
A have had B are having C had
- 14 Janet very pretty today.
A is looking B looks C look
- 15 Carla two brothers and a sister.
A has B is having C have

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