

Simple Present or Present Continuous Tense Exercise

We use the simple present tense to talk about general truths, facts, likes, dislikes and preferences. The present continuous tense is used to talk about actions and situations that are going on at the moment of speaking.

1. Rani with her parents at the moment.

stays

is staying

Either could be used here

2. My brother at a bank.

work

works

is working

3. I never up before 9 on Sunday mornings.

get

am getting

gets

4. I people who

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rude to their subordinates.

am hating, are being

hate, are

am hating, are

5. I this music.

like

am liking

likes

have liked

6. the meat
bad?

Does, smell

Is, smelling

Either could be used here

7. I the dentist at 11 am.

see

am seeing

sees

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8. I what you mean?

see

am seeing

Either could be used here

9. He his dog out for a walk
every day before breakfast.

takes

is taking

Either could be used here

10. If you too much coffee, you
may develop health problems.

drink

are drinking

Either could be used here

11. What time tomorrow?

does she arrive

is she arriving

Either could be used here

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12. How often to the movies?

are you going

do you go

Either could be used here

Answers

1. Rani is staying with her parents at the moment.
2. My brother works at a bank.
3. I never get up before 9 on Sunday mornings.
4. I hate people who are rude to their subordinates.
5. I like this music.
6. Does the meat smell bad?
7. I am seeing the dentist at 11 am.
8. I see what you mean.
9. He takes his dog out for a walk every day before breakfast.
10. If you drink too much coffee, you may develop health problems.
11. What time is she arriving tomorrow?
12. How often do you go to the movies?