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?