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Language focus

1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the present simple or present continuous tense.

- 0 I 'm spending (spend) the whole day at home today.
- 1 How often _____ (you / go) to the gym?
- 2 I _____ (not enjoy) this film. It's terrible! Can we watch a different one?
- 3 Carla _____ (teach) Spanish at the local school every Tuesday and Friday.
- 4 Don't go upstairs! Your father _____ (have) a rest.
- 5 My brother _____ (study) really hard, so he always does well at school.

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2 Write the sentences with the adverbs in the correct places.

- 0 I go to the swimming pool. (often / on Saturday mornings)
I often go to the swimming pool on Saturday mornings.
- 1 We go to the gym. (usually / three times a week)

- 2 My parents spend two weeks in the mountains. (always / every year)

- 3 I am at home in the summer. (hardly ever)

- 4 We go away in the winter. (sometimes)

- 5 I go out with my friends. (usually / at the weekend)

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3 Write full sentences with these words. Use the past simple and past continuous tense.

- 0 Ben / have / breakfast / when / his friend / arrive
Ben was having breakfast when his friend arrived.
- 1 I / leave / the house when it / start / to rain

- 2 What / you / do / when / I / call?

- 3 We / go / to the station / when / the storm / start

- 4 Sarah / jog / when / she / fall over

- 5 I / not / watch / TV / when / Mum / come home

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4 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the past simple or past continuous tense.

Hi! I'm Alex, and last week I ⁰ went (go) on a trip into the countryside with my family. We decided to cycle so that we ¹ _____ (not have to) carry our heavy bags. We set off very early. We ² _____ (cycle) up a hill when Mum remembered that our picnic lunches ³ _____ (be) still in the fridge! So we stopped at a small shop and ⁴ _____ (buy) some food and drink. But while we ⁵ _____ (sit) on the grass with our food, it suddenly started to rain. Mum and Dad decided we should just go home after that!

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Vocabulary

5 Complete the words about the weather. The first letter is there to help you.

- 0 We call very poor and difficult weather conditions extreme weather.
- 1 It's absolutely b_____ today. It's too hot to go out.
- 2 We're going through a h_____ at the moment – 20 days at 35 degrees!
- 3 The h_____ stones are like big pieces of ice.
- 4 There's an amazing s_____ outside. Everything is white. We can make a snowman tomorrow!
- 5 The l_____ during the storm last night hit a tree in our garden. It was really frightening.

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6 Label the pictures.



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7 Complete the words. The first letter is there to help you. There is one space for each other letter in the word.

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| 0 You can take pictures with this. | c <u>a</u> <u>m</u> <u>e</u> <u>r</u> <u>a</u> |
| 1 This is a good place to be when it's very cold. | i _ _ _ _ _ |
| 2 This is when a lot of water falls from the sky! | h _ _ _ _ r _ _ _ |
| 3 You sometimes hear this during a storm. | t _ _ _ _ _ |
| 4 This is when the temperature is below 0 degrees. | s _ _ - z _ _ _ |
| 5 These sometimes damage houses and trees. | h _ _ _ w _ _ _ _ |

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8 Choose the correct answer: a, b or c.

Last weekend I went camping with some friends ⁰ ___ the middle of an island. Of course, you should never go camping without a ¹ ___ in case you want to cut something, and a ² ___ in case you need to see at night. But last weekend I forgot both! I also forgot our ³ ___ so we got very thirsty. Luckily, however, I remembered my ⁴ ___ so I could see clearly! It was the end of spring, when temperatures start to ⁵ ___ there, so it was getting quite hot.

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| 0 a in | b on | c at |
| 1 a first aid kit | b compass | c penknife |
| 2 a torch | b map | c sleeping bag |
| 3 a glasses | b water bottle | c sun cream |
| 4 a contact lenses | b tent | c camera |
| 5 a fall | b melt | c rise |

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Useful language

9 Complete the conversation between two friends. What does Megan say to Jack? Choose from the answers (a–h). There are two more expressions than you need.

- Jack:** Hi, Megan! Welcome to our village!
- Megan:** 0 g
- Jack:** You're right – it is! So when did you move here?
- Megan:** 1 _ _ _
- Jack:** Do you think so? I think it's a great place to live!
- Megan:** 2 _ _ _
- Jack:** That's not true! What about the sports centre?
- Megan:** 3 _ _ _
- Jack:** Yes, I suppose that is a problem. But I could come with you. And it's healthier living here than in the town.
- Megan:** 4 _ _ _
- Jack:** You see? So living in the village isn't all bad!
- Megan:** 5 _ _ _
- Jack:** Good – thanks!

- a** Yes, I like walking in the country.
- b** Maybe, but my friends aren't here to go with me.
- c** Mm, perhaps you're right. The air is certainly cleaner.
- d** Do you know it?
- e** No, I suppose not! OK, you win, Jack!
- f** About two weeks ago. But it's really quiet – and boring!
- g** Thanks, Jack! It's very different from the town!
- h** I don't agree! There's nothing to do!

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Listening

- 10**  Listen to Maria and her brother Adam packing for their camping trip with friends.
Are the sentences True (T) or False (F)?

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| 0 | Maria and Adam are in a hurry to finish their packing. | <u>T</u> |
| 1 | Adam prefers to take a compass with them, instead of a map. | ___ |
| 2 | Adam is taking two different kinds of torch with him. | ___ |
| 3 | Maria wants to take a penknife to cut food. | ___ |
| 4 | Adam thinks it will be a good idea for them to make a fire. | ___ |
| 5 | Maria and Adam are going to sleep in their tents while they're away. | ___ |

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Reading

- 11** Read James's blog.



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This is the end of my second week of my trip to Australia and here I am, spending a few days at Ayers Rock, or Uluru as it is called by the Aborigines, near Alice Springs. I took the train from Adelaide because I wanted to see as much of this huge country as possible. It was a really long journey and a bit boring to be honest as there isn't really that much to see – just desert and a few plants here and there! I didn't even see any animals as most of them only come out when it starts to get dark. I guess it's too hot for them in the midday sun.

I'm camping here with a group of students. We've got a fantastic guide who knows so much about the history and geography of this place. It's absolutely boiling during the daytime but freezing at night so it really is extreme. No one can remember the last time there was heavy rain so you can imagine how careful everyone is with water.

Tomorrow we're hiking round Ayers Rock. It doesn't look that big on pictures but it's actually almost 10 kilometres! But I'll manage, I'm sure. The colours are amazing ... reds and oranges and purples, so I'm really looking forward to taking some good photos.

James Brayne

Are the sentences True (T) or False (F)? If there isn't enough information in the text, write Doesn't Say (DS).

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| 0 | James is staying at Ayers Rock for two weeks. | <u>F</u> |
| 1 | James was pleased with what he saw during his train journey. | ___ |
| 2 | The heat made travelling difficult for James during the day. | ___ |
| 3 | There is someone with James who can tell him a lot about the area. | ___ |
| 4 | James says that the area he's in is extremely dry at the moment. | ___ |
| 5 | James thinks it will be too far to walk around Ayers Rock in a day. | ___ |

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Writing

12 Write an email to your new pen friend. Include this information:

- where you live
- interesting information about your town
- what you like doing in your town
- anything you don't like about your town.

Write 100–120 words.

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