

Present Simple or Present Continuous?



A. Read these sentences and choose the most appropriate answer.

1. She often ... magazines, but now she ... a Christmas story.
 - a) read/ is reading ☐
 - b) is reading/ reads ☐
 - c) reads/ is reading ☐
2. I usually ... on Friday nights, but today I ... home. I must prepare Christmas dinner.
 - a) go out/ am staying ☐
 - b) going out / stay ☐
 - c) go out /stay ☐
3. We always ... roast turkey for Christmas dinner, but this year we ... roast beef.
 - a) are having / have ☐
 - b) have / are having ☐
 - c) have / are not having ☐
4. The Spanish ... how to make the holiday last. Presents ... until the 6th of January.
 - a) are knowing/ are exchanged ☐
 - b) don't know/aren't exchanged ☐
 - c) know/ aren't exchanged ☐
5. Which ... first, Christmas or New Year's Day?
 - a) does come ☐
 - b) is coming ☐
 - c) comes ☐
6. Rita ... an exam on January 2nd. That's why she
 - a) has / is studying ☐
 - b) is having / studies ☐
 - c) has / studies ☐
7. What ... on Boxing Day? They ... sports.
 - a) do they usually do/ watch ☐
 - b) are they usually doing/ watch ☐
 - c) do they usually do/ are watching ☐
8. Who ... on the phone? I ... it's Jane.
 - a) talks / think ☐
 - b) is talking / think ☐
 - c) is talking / am thinking ☐
9. My little sister still ... in Santa Claus. She ... him a letter.
 - a) is believing/ is writing ☐
 - b) believes/ is writing ☐
 - c) believes/ writes ☐
10. Employers traditionally ... their servants a gift of money or food on Boxing Day.
 - a) gives ☐
 - b) are giving ☐
 - c) give ☐
11. We usually ... our gifts on Christmas Day, but this year we ... them on Christmas Eve.
 - a) open / aren't opening ☐
 - b) open/ are opening ☐
 - c) are opening / open ☐
12. Santa Claus ... on a sleigh pulled by nine reindeer.
 - a) travels ☐
 - b) is travelling ☐
 - c) travel ☐
13. Hey, why ... so loudly? I ... deaf.
 - a) are you talking / am not ☐
 - b) do you talk / am not ☐
 - c) does she talk / am not ☐
14. What book ... ? It ... very interesting.
 - a) are you reading is seeming ☐
 - b) do you read / seems ☐
 - c) are you reading / seems ☐

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