

PAPER 1

OSA: riflessione sul Sistema morfologico della lingua inglese anche in ottica comparativa

FOCUS: PRESENT SIMPLE – PRESENT CONTINUOUS

STEP 1: IDENTIFY FUNCTIONS WITH PRESENT TENSES

Highlight the reason why these tenses are used in the following sentences.

1. Rice **doesn't grow** on trees.
2. I **hear** mum's footsteps in the attic.
3. He **works** at a hotel.
4. Helen **is working** hard these days.
5. The soup **tastes** delicious.
6. He **lays** the table and **serves** dinner everyday.
7. The plane to London **takes off** at 6:50
8. Cathy **likes** romantic films.
9. You **are always forgetting** to pay bills.
10. She **speaks** four foreign languages.
11. Right now she **is reading** a newspaper.
12. Melanie **is getting** married at 3 this afternoon.
13. I **think** she's Italian.
14. She **has** an old car.
15. The climate **is getting** warmer every year.

STEP 2: PRACTICE WITH PRESENT TENSES

Put the verb in proper tense form and possibly provide motivation for use

1.(you/know) that man over there?
2.(you/do) anything tomorrow evening?
3. I(see) you(feel) better.
4. The people next door(have) a party.
5. Graham(have) a new computer.
6. We(have) a business meeting in Amsterdam tomorrow morning.
7. This dress(not/fit) me anymore.
8. Your perfume(smell) nice. What is it?
9. What(you/look) at?
10. You(look) very pretty today.
11. She(smell) the flowers in the garden.
12. I(never/wear) sports clothes at work.
13. More and more people(buy) cars nowadays.
14. She(always/giggle). It gets on my nerves.
15. Water(freeze) when the temperature drops below zero.
16. I (think) we're being followed.
17. A: Is anything wrong? – B: No, I(just/think) about the party tonight.
18. This fabric(feel) like silk.
19. A: What are you doing? – B: I(feel) the radiator to see if it's getting warm.
20. She(be) a very generous girl, isn't she?
21. The children(make) lots of noise today.
22. A: Would you like some cherries? – Yes, please. I(love) cherries.
23. I'm sorry, but I(not/understand) what you(mean)
24. This cake(taste) awful.
25. Every time I turn that corner, I(see) load of rubbish.