Present Simple
What's the best word to complete the sentence?

1. I ________ in a bank.
   Work       works       workes

2. Jo is so smart that she ________ every exam without even trying.
   Pass       passies      passes

3. John ________ very hard in class, but I don't think he'll pass the course.
   Try        trys         tries

4. My life is so boring -- I just ________ TV every night.
   Watch      watchies     watches

5. My mother ________ eggs for breakfast every morning.
   Fry        frys         fries

Change each sentence into a negative.

1. I like eggs. ________________________________

2. Some insects carry serious diseases. ________________________________

3. Mary has an expensive car. ________________________________

4. The Olympic champion comes from Victoria ________________________________

5. This wine costs a lot of money. ________________________________

Change each sentence into a yes/no question.

1. He plays in goal. ________________________________

2. We get wool from sheep. ________________________________

3. She drinks coffee every day. ________________________________

4. They live in teepees. ________________________________
5. He teaches physics. _______________________________________

Change each sentence into a Wh- question using the question word in brackets.
For example: "John lives in Victoria. (where)" becomes "Where does John live?".
1. This car has two doors. (how many) ________________________________
2. Raccoons come out at night. (when) ________________________________
3. A fox lives in our garden. (what) ________________________________
4. Wool comes from sheep. (where) ________________________________
5. She takes two sugars in her coffee. (how many) ________________________________

Present Continuous

Using the prompts, create a sentence in the present continuous tense.
For example: "She / eat / cheese" becomes "She is eating cheese."
1. She / wear / earrings ________________________________
2. I / study ________________________________
3. It / rain / today ________________________________
4. The train / come ________________________________
5. I / have / a good time ________________________________

Present Simple or Present Continuous?

Choose the correct form for each verb.
1. Look! Junko ______________ into the water. (jump)
2. You won’t find Jerry at home right now. He ______________ in the library. (study)
3. Don’t give Jan any cheese. She ______________ it! (hate)
4. Salman is rich — he ______________ a Mercedes. (drive)
5. Once a week, I ______________ to an art class at the college. (go)
6. Marie-Claude isn't a Canadian. I _____________ she comes from France. (believe)

7. I ______________ lunch in the cafeteria every day. (have)

8. I ______________ you're crazy! (think)

9. It ______________ quite hard — perhaps we shouldn't go out tonight. (snow)

10. I ______________ to Toronto next Thursday. Do you want to come? (go)

Put the verb in brackets in the correct form (present simple or present continuous).

Mary and I ______________(work) in the same office, but we're completely different. She ______________(like) coffee, but I ______________(like) tea. She ______________(wash) her car every weekend, but I never ______________(clean) mine. She ______________(smile) all the time at work, but I ______________(feel) miserable. I ______________(complain) about the boss all the time, but Mary ______________(think) the boss is a nice person. When I ______________(finish) work, I like to drink beer with my friends, but Mary ______________(study) at night school. The boss ______________(think) Mary is perfect, but she ______________(drive) me nuts!

Put the verb in brackets in the correct form (present simple or present continuous).

Next week, my friends and I ________________ (go) camping in the woods. I ________________ (organize) the food, because I ________________ (like) cooking. Dave ________________ (have) a big car with a trailer, so he ________________ (plan) the transportation. Sam ________________ (bring) the tent — he ________________ (go) camping every year, so he ________________ (have) a great tent and lots of other equipment. My wife ________________ (think) we're crazy. She ________________ (like) holidays in comfortable hotels, so she ________________ (take) a trip to Paris instead.
Simple Past: Regular Verbs

Choose the correct past tense form for each verb.

1. Trap: traped trapied trapped
2. Depart: departed departied departed
3. Permit: permitted permited permitted
4. Share: sharred sharied shared
5. Marry: marryed married marryyed
6. Rely: relyed rellyed relied
7. Fail: failied failed failed
8. Play: played plaied playyed
9. Bathe: bathied bathed bathed
10. Show: showied showed showed

Put the verb in brackets in the correct simple past form.

My grandfather had a very exciting life. When he was young, he
__________________________ (live) on a farm in the country. His parents
__________________________ (raise) cattle, and he __________________________
(look) after the cows. When he was eighteen, he went to university, where he
__________________________ (study) Philosophy. He also
__________________________ (play) the trumpet in a jazz band. When the war
started, he __________________________ (try) to join the Air Force, but he
__________________________ (end) up in the Navy. In the Atlantic, a German
torpedo __________________________ (rip) a hole in the side of his ship, and the
ship sank. Only five men __________________________ (escape). They
__________________________ (sail) in a lifeboat back to England. Then he met my
grandmother, and they __________________________ (marry) after only three weeks.
He says now that he __________________________ (want) to marry her very quickly
in case he __________________________ (die) in the war.
Simple Past: Irregular Verbs

Choose the correct past tense form for each verb.

1. bring: bringed brang brought
2. find: find found fand
3. cut: caught cut cutted
4. teach: taught teached teach
5. have: had have hove
6. fit: fit fought fat
7. get: got gought get
8. catch: catch caught caughted
9. drink: drank drink drunk
10. set: sat sought set

Simple Past: Regular and Irregular Verbs

Put the verb in brackets in the correct simple past form. Note that some of these verbs are REGULAR and some are IRREGULAR.

Emily Carr, British Columbia's most famous artist, __________________________ (be) born in 1871. Her parents __________________________ (die) when she was still a teenager. She __________________________ (study) art in San Francisco and Paris, but when she __________________________ (come) back to Victoria, she __________________________ (keep) a house called "The House of All Sorts", where she __________________________ (be) the landlady. Many years later, she __________________________ (begin) painting again. To find subjects for her paintings, she __________________________ (take) trips into the forests of British Columbia, and she often __________________________ (meet) with the First Nations people and __________________________ (paint) them too. Emily Carr also __________________________ (write) several books, and she __________________________ (win) the Governor General's Award for one of them.

Change each sentence into a negative.

For example: John had a warm coat: "John didn't have a warm coat."
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1. We were on the beach. ______________________________________
2. Kyoko bought a new car. ______________________________________
3. The pot was expensive. ______________________________________
4. Some First Nations people lived in tents. ________________________
5. She drank all the wine. ______________________________________

Change each sentence into a yes/no question in the past tense. For example: "John had red hair." becomes "Did John have red hair?".

1. The soup was hot. ______________________________________
2. He played hockey every day. ________________________________
3. They were happy together. _________________________________
4. They talked about their homework. _________________________
5. A raccoon ate Sally's lunch. ________________________________

Change each sentence into a WH- question in the past tense, using the question word in brackets. For example: "John lived in Victoria. (where)" becomes "Where did John live?".

1. They travelled across Canada by bike. (how) __________________
2. The fox was in the garden. (where) __________________________
3. Beavers were common on Vancouver Island. (where) ________
4. She bought an old car. (what) ________________________________
5. Jan studied for three hours (how long) ______________________

Past Simple or Past Continuous?

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1) What __________________________ (do) when I __________________________
   (call) you last night?
2) I __________________________ (sit) in a cafe when you
   __________________________ (call).
3) When you ________________ (arrive) at the party, who ________________ (be) there?

4) Susie ________________ (watch) a film when she ________________ (hear) the noise.

5) Yesterday I ________________ (go) to the library, next I ________________ (have) a swim, later I ________________ (meet) Julie for coffee.

6) We ________________ (play) tennis when John ________________ (hurt) his ankle.

7) What ________________ (they/do) at 10pm last night - it was really noisy?

8) He ________________ (take) a shower when the telephone ________________ (ring).

9) He ________________ (be) in the shower when the telephone ________________ (ring).

10) When I ________________ (walk) into the room, everyone ________________ (work).

11) It ________________ (be) a day last September. The sun ________________ (shine) and the birds ________________ (sing). I ________________ (walk) along the street when I ________________ (meet) an old friend.

12) He ________________ (live) in Russia when the Revolution ________________ (start).

13) When her train ________________ (get) to the station, we ________________ (wait) on the platform.

14) He ________________ (be) so annoying! He ________________ (always leave) his things everywhere.

15) On holiday we ________________ (visit) Rome, ________________ (see) the Vatican, and ________________ (spend) a few days at the beach.

16) Why ________________ (stand) on a chair when I ________________ (come) into the room?

17) They ________________ (lived) in Germany when they ________________ (be young).

18) At 7pm yesterday, we ________________ (listen) to music.
19) When I __________________________ (leave) the house, it 
__________________________ (snow).
20) He __________________________ (work) in a bank when he 
__________________________ (meet) his wife.