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1. Simple Present

2. Present Continuous

3. Simple Past

4. Past Continuous

1 Simple Present

Χρησιμοποιείται:

- 1 για μία πράξη που γίνεται **πάντοτε**, **συνήθως**, **συχνά** κλπ.

*The Browns **travel** to Spain every summer.*

*He usually **gets up** at seven o' clock.*

*I never **go out** on Sundays.*

- 2 για μία πράξη που είναι **προγραμματισμένη** να γίνει στο **μέλλον**, κυρίως όταν αναφερόμαστε σε **δρομολόγια πλοίων, τρένων** κλπ ή **προγράμματα σχολείων** κλπ.

*Our plane **leaves** at ten o'clock tonight.*

*Tennis lessons **start** again next Monday.*

Προσέξτε!

*They **have** dinner / wine / a shower ...*

(= τρώνε / πίνουν / κάνουν ...)

*Do they **have** ... – They **don't have** ...*

[**OXI:** *Have they ... – They haven't ...*]

- Με τον **simple present** χρησιμοποιούμε συχνά **επιρρήματα συχνότητας** (*always, usually, often, sometimes, rarely / seldom, hardly ever, never*). Τα **επιρρήματα συχνότητας** μπαίνουν **πριν** από τα κύρια **ρήματα** αλλά **μετά** από τα **βοηθητικά** και το ρήμα **to be**. Στις **σύντομες απαντήσεις** όμως, μπαίνουν **πριν** από το **βοηθητικό ρήμα** και το **to be**.

*I **often read** before I go to bed.*

*Does Pamela **usually** catch the bus to work?*

*Mr Wood **is always** polite to his customers.*

*'Do you eat fish?' 'No, I **rarely do**.'*

'Is the bus crowded in the morning?'

*'Yes, it **usually is**.'*

2 Present Continuous

Χρησιμοποιείται:

- 1 για μία πράξη που **γίνεται** (είναι σε εξέλιξη), **αυτήν τη στιγμή** ή **αυτήν την περίοδο** (δηλ. προσωρινά).

*Mum **is cooking** dinner now.*

*I'm **learning** Spanish this year.*

- 2 για μία πράξη που έχουμε **προγραμματίσει** να κάνουμε στο **κοντινό μέλλον**.

*Helen **is leaving** next Monday.*

*My sister **is coming** back home next week.*

- 3 με λέξεις όπως **always, continually** (= συνεχώς) για να δείξουμε **ενόχληση** ή **εκνευρισμό** ή για να τονίσουμε ότι κάτι συμβαίνει **πάρα πολύ συχνά**.

*You're **always interrupting** me.*

*He's so kind; he **is always helping** others.*

- 4 για καταστάσεις που **εξελισσονται** ή **αλλάζουν σταδιακά**.

*His condition **is improving** every day.*

*More and more people **are recycling** their rubbish.*

Προσέξτε!

Τα ρήματα που περιγράφουν μία **κατάσταση** και όχι μία πράξη (π.χ. **like, love, prefer, want, know, forget, remember, see, hear, taste, smell, look** κλπ) **δε** χρησιμοποιούνται με **χρόνους διαρκείας**.

*This **smells** good. [**OXI:** This ~~is smelling~~ ...]*

*Do you **know** him? [**OXI:** ~~Are you knowing~~ ...]*

Δείτε τη **διαφορά** στα παρακάτω παραδείγματα:

*Ann **has** a new mobile phone. (= έχει)*

*She **is having** a shower at the moment. (= κάνει)*

*Look out of the window and tell me what you **see**.*

(= βλέπεις)

*I'm **seeing** my dentist tomorrow.*

(= επισκέπτομαι, έχω ραντεβού με)

*I'm **not seeing** James tonight. (= συναντώ)*

*I **think** it's a boring book. (= νομίζω)*

*I'm **thinking** about buying a new car.*

(= σκέπτομαι)

*She **looks** very happy today. (= φαίνεται)*

*That policeman **is looking** at us. (= κοιτάζει)*

1 Choose the correct answer.

- 'Where is David?' ' He **is doing** / **does** his homework in his room.'
- Have you** / **Do you have** breakfast every day?
- Mr Smith **is talking** / **talks** to a customer at the moment.
- I **don't think** / **am not thinking** he is a good singer.
- 'Does it snow here in winter?'
'No, it **does seldom** / **seldom does**.'
- Louise **knows** / **is knowing** lots of people here.
- Mark **is often** / **often is** late for work.
- Laura **is looking** / **looks** very pretty in that dress.

2 Fill in the simple present or the present continuous.

- You and your sister always (**fight**).
- Tim usually (**visit**) us at the weekend, but this weekend he (**stay**) at home.
- A:** Simon (**not like**) the way I (**cook**).
B: Why not? This chicken (**taste**) delicious.
- you (**know**) what time the train from Paris (**arrive**)?
- A:** Laura (**think**) about opening her own shop?
B: Yes. She (**see**) the bank manager tomorrow to ask for a loan.
- The children (**have**) breakfast at the moment.
- Summer is almost here, so the weather (**get**) hotter and hotter.

3 Match the questions with the answers.

- What are you having for lunch?
- What do you have for lunch?
- What do you do?
- What are you doing?
- What do you do at weekends?
- What are you doing at the weekend?
- Where do you usually go on holiday?
- Where are you going on holiday?

- I'm a lawyer.
- I'm going camping with my friends.
- I'm buying a sandwich from the canteen.
- I'm trying to change the lock.
- To Crete because we have a house there.
- I make a tuna or a chicken salad.
- Nowhere. We can't afford one this year.
- I go to the cinema.

3 Simple Past

Χρησιμοποιείται:

- για μία πράξη που **έγινε** στο παρελθόν. Ο χρόνος που έγινε η πράξη αναφέρεται ή εννοείται.
*Tom **had** a party last week. He **invited** all his friends to it.*
 - για μία πράξη που **επαναλαμβανόταν** στο παρελθόν ή για **συνήθειες** του παρελθόντος.
*He **went** skiing very often when he was younger. [Επίσης: He **used to go** skiing ...]
She **travelled** a lot before she got married. [Επίσης: She **used to travel** a lot ...]*
- Το **used to** + **απαρέμφατο** (= συνήθιζα να) χρησιμοποιείται για **συνήθειες** ή **καταστάσεις** του παρελθόντος. Στα Ελληνικά αντιστοιχεί στον **παρατατικό**.
*I **used to eat** lots of fruit when I was younger. (= έτρωγα **ή**: συνήθιζα να τρώω)
This building **used to be** a theatre.*

Η ερώτηση και η άρνηση σχηματίζονται συνήθως με το **did**.

*He **used to** get up late.*

***Did** he **use to** get up late?*

*He **didn't use to** get up late.*

[Επίσης: *He **never used to** get up late.*]

Προσέξτε!

be / get used to + ρήμα + ing

*I **am used to drinking** coffee every morning. (= είμαι συνηθισμένος να πίνω ... , έχω συνηθίσει να πίνω ...)*

*You'll soon **get used to working** at night. (= θα συνηθίσεις σιγά-σιγά να δουλεύεις ...)*

4 Past Continuous

Χρησιμοποιείται:

1 για μία πράξη που **γινόταν** (ήταν σε εξέλιξη) σε μία **συγκεκριμένη στιγμή** στο παρελθόν.

*I **was studying** at six o'clock.*

*I **was studying** when my friend called.*

*I **was studying** while my mum **was making** dinner.*

} (= μελετούσα)

2 με τα **always, continually** όπως και ο present continuous (στην τρίτη περίπτωση) αλλά για το **παρελθόν**.

*The neighbours' dog **was continually barking**.*

*Grandma **was always giving** us sweets.*

Προσέξτε!

*I **went out** every night when I was young. [OXI: I ~~was going~~ out every night ...]*

*ή: I **used to go** out every night when I was young.*

4 Fill in the simple past or the past continuous.

1 A: Why Brian
(not answer) the phone?

B: He (sit) in the garden and
..... (not hear) it ring.

2 Nancy (have) any free
time yesterday?

3 A: John (make) dinner when I
..... (get) home last night.

B: Oh, really. I (think) he
..... (not know) how to cook!

4 We always (argue) when
we were children.

5 A: Mary (search) for her purse
when the taxi arrived.

B: she (find) it?

6 Philip (cycle) to work before he
..... (buy) a car.

7 A: What they (do) all
weekend? They (look) very
busy!

B: They (paint) their house.

8 I (wash) the dishes and then
..... (iron) clothes for the rest of the
evening.

5 Fill in the simple past or the past continuous.

It was a cold winter night. The snow [1] (fall) heavily and the wind [2]
(blow) strongly. Jamie [3] (lie) on his bed – he [4] (read) his favourite book.
Soon he [5] (feel) sleepy and [6] (close) his eyes. Suddenly, he
[7] (hear) a strange noise over the sound of the wind. Jamie was very scared – his parents
[8] (sleep) deeply in their bedroom. He [9] (want) to jump out of bed and
run to them, but his legs [10] (shake) too much. Then, there was another sound.
[11] someone (try) to get into his room? Jamie [12] (scream) ...

6 Match the questions with the answers.

- 1 When did you last hear from Greg?
- 2 What was Harry doing when you called him?
- 3 Why didn't Colin come with us last night?
- 4 What did Brian do when the earthquake struck?
- 5 How did Robert spend his weekend?
- 6 Why didn't David stay at the party?

- a He was having a shower.
- b He wrote to me last week.
- c He wasn't having a good time.
- d He ran out of his house.
- e He was tired and wanted to rest.
- f He played tennis, visited some friends and watched a DVD.

7 Choose the correct answer.

- 1 I'll soon get used to **driving / drive** in heavy traffic.
- 2 Henry **is used to having / used to have** a stressful job, but he decided to leave and start his own business.
- 3 He's got used to **walk / walking** everywhere, hasn't he?
- 4 I **am not used to staying / didn't use to stay** up so late at night – that's why I feel sleepy.
- 5 **Did they use to travel / Were they used to travelling** to Italy every summer?

8 Tick (✓) if the sentence is correct or correct the mistake.

- 1 It's difficult to get used to driving on the left-hand side of the road.
- 2 Brian is always making mistakes at work.
- 3 Jenny usually is going to Fiona's house to study.
- 4 People weren't driving cars two hundred years ago.
- 5 'Do you exercise?' 'Yes, I do often.'
- 6 He has always a biscuit with his coffee.
- 7 Jenny was used to wake up early in the morning.
- 8 Are you seeing your friends this evening?

9 Choose the correct answer.

- 1 I'm not used to so much money.
a spend b spending
- 2 at home on Saturdays?
a Is Jenny usually staying
b Does Jenny usually stay
- 3 Dad us a story every night when we were little.
a read b was reading
- 4 I a letter when the phone rang and disturbed me.
a wrote b was writing
- 5 What time lunch?
a have you b do you have
- 6 Phil never got used to with the windows closed, even in winter.
a sleep b sleeping
- 7 The traffic didn't use to as bad as this.
a being b be
- 8 He of going to Australia.
a is thinking b thinks
- 9 Don't disturb him now. He a new customer.
a is seeing b sees
- 10 Indian food is OK but I Chinese.
a prefer b am preferring

10a Look at the examples.

- 1 He makes fun of people all the time.
making He **is always making** fun of people.
- 2 They rarely visit their grandparents.
visit They **don't visit** their grandparents very often.
- 3 Janet worked in the garden. Her husband prepared the meal.
while Janet was working in the garden **while her husband was preparing** the meal.
- 4 We haven't visited Italy for six years.
last The **last time we visited** Italy was six years ago.
- 5 When did they move here?
ago How **long ago did they move** here?
- 6 When I was a teacher, I worked long hours.
used When I was a teacher, I **used to work** long hours.
- 7 When did you leave school?
since How long is **it since you left** school?
- 8 She hasn't finished reading the newspaper yet.
still She **is still reading** the newspaper.



b Complete each sentence with two to five words, including the word given.

- Mum cooked and Dad fixed the TV.
while Mum was cooking the TV.
- At summer camp, we got up really early in the morning.
used At summer camp, we really early in the morning.
- When did you buy your bike?
ago How your bike?
- When did you move into your new flat?
since How long is into your new flat?
- Tom hardly ever goes to the cinema during the week.
go Tom to the cinema very often during the week.
- He plays loud music all the time.
playing He loud music.
- They haven't finished painting our house yet.
still They our house.
- Chris hasn't watered the flowers for a week.
last The the flowers was a week ago.



11 PHRASAL VERBS

- break down** = παθαίνω βλάβη, χαλάω
- break into** = κάνω διάρρηξη
- break out** = ξεσπώ (για φωτιά, πόλεμο κλπ)
- break up** = 1 σταματώ για διακοπές (σχολ.), 2 κομματιάζω, -ομαι
- bring up** = ανατρέφω

Fill in the correct **phrasal verb** in the appropriate form.

- School is for the summer in a few days.
- Peter's cousin was by his grandparents.
- World War Two in 1939.
- Burglars their house when they were on holiday.
- My car while I was driving to work this morning.
- I the biscuits and fed them to the ducks.

12 CONFUSABLE WORDS

remember = θυμάμαι

Do you **remember** his phone number?

remind + απαρέμφατο με to = θυμίζω, υπενθυμίζω σε κάποιον να κάνει κάτι
Please **remind** me to send this fax.

sb / sth reminds sb of sb / sth =

κτ / κτ θυμίζει σε κάποιον κτ / κτ

That man **reminds** me **of** my grandfather.
This toy **reminds** me **of** my childhood.

Choose the correct answer.

- You didn't **remind / remember** it was my birthday today!
- This postcard **remembers / reminds** me of Italy.
- Did you **remind / remember** Dad to take the car to the garage?
- Will you **remember / remind** to feed the fish while I'm on holiday?
- That woman **reminds / remembers** me of my teacher.



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