Time signals

sort the time words, then make pairs



1 Sort the time words. Write them in the right column (any order).

✋ THEN COVER THE TABLE

every day | now | usually | at the moment | on Mondays | right now | always | today | every summer | Look! | never | Listen! | after school | this week | once a week | Shh!

🔁 Present Simple: it happens again and again	⏱️ Present Continuous: it is happening now
_____ _____	_____ _____
_____ _____	_____ _____
_____ _____	_____ _____
_____ _____	_____ _____

2 Make a pair: usually..., but today... Use the verbs in brackets.

1 🚌 Lena usually _____ (walk) to school, but today she _____ (go) by bus.

2 ☕ Dad _____ (drink) coffee every morning, but today he _____ (drink) tea.

3 🎾 I usually _____ (play) tennis on Mondays, but today I _____ (play) basketball.

4 👟 Kuba always _____ (wear) sneakers, but today he _____ (wear) boots.

Usually… right now

every day job, right now

1 **Left side: Present Simple. Right side: Present Continuous. Use the verbs in brackets.** ✋ THEN COVER ONE SIDE

Cover the right side. Read the left side and guess: What is the pilot doing right now?

USUALLY (EVERY DAY)		RIGHT NOW
1	A pilot usually _____ (fly) planes.	😴 Right now she _____ (sleep) in a hotel.
2	A chef usually _____ (cook) for people.	🍔 Right now he _____ (eat) a burger.
3	Our teacher usually _____ (teach) English.	🎤 Right now she _____ (sing) karaoke!
4	A goalkeeper usually _____ (stop) balls.	📺 Right now he _____ (watch) cartoons.
5	A doctor usually _____ (help) sick people.	🏄 Right now she _____ (surf) in Hawaii.
6	A firefighter usually _____ (work) at the fire station.	🧁 Right now he _____ (bake) cupcakes.
7	A police officer usually _____ (drive) a police car.	🚲 Right now she _____ (ride) a bike.

2 **Ask and answer in pairs. Cover the answers and say them from memory.** ✋ COVER AND REMEMBER

QUESTION		ANSWER
1	What does a pilot usually do?	She usually flies planes.
2	What is the pilot doing right now?	She's sleeping in a hotel.
3	Is the chef cooking right now?	No, he isn't. He's eating a burger.
4	Is the goalkeeper stopping balls right now?	No, he isn't. He's watching cartoons.

3 **And you? What do you usually do on Saturdays? What are you doing right now?**

On Saturdays I usually … . **Right now I'm** … .

Crazy day at school

look, cover, answer from memory



1 It's Crazy Day at school! Everything is different. Read for two minutes.

✋ THEN COVER THE PICTURES



Mr. Brown, the principal

He usually wears a suit. Today he's wearing a top hat!



Kuba

He usually walks to school. Today he's riding a skateboard.



Mrs. Lis, the music teacher

She usually plays the piano. Today she's singing rap.



the cook

He usually makes soup. Today he's making pizza.



Ola

She usually sits in the first row. Today she's sitting on the teacher's desk!



Igor

He usually wears jeans. Today he's wearing a clown costume.



the librarian

She usually says "Shh!" Today she's playing loud music.



Lena

She usually draws flowers. Today she's drawing dinosaurs on the board.



the twins

They usually play soccer. Today they're playing basketball in the hall.

2 Cover the pictures. Answer from memory. Careful: usually or today?

1 What does Mr. Brown usually wear? _____

2 What is he wearing today? _____

3 How does Kuba usually get to school? _____

4 What is the librarian doing today? _____

5 Does Mrs. Lis usually sing rap? _____

6 Where is Ola sitting today? _____

Do you...? or Are you...?

make the question, give the short answer



1 **Look at the time word. Write the question and the short answer.**

✋ THEN COVER THE RIGHT SIDE

Example: you / play tennis / every Monday? ✓ → Do you play tennis every Monday? Yes, I do.

	PROMPT	QUESTION AND SHORT ANSWER
1	you / play tennis / every Monday? ✓	Do you play tennis every Monday? Yes, I do.
2	you / play tennis / now? ✗	_____ _____
3	she / wear a funny hat / today? ✓	_____ _____
4	he / go to school by bus / every day? ✗	_____ _____
5	they / watch a movie / at the moment? ✓	_____ _____
6	your mom / work / on Saturdays? ✗	_____ _____
7	it / rain / right now? ✗	_____ _____
8	your friends / usually / meet after school? ✓	_____ _____

REMEMBER

every day, usually, on Mondays → **Do / Does** ... ? Yes, I **do**. / No, she **doesn't**.

now, right now, at the moment, today → **Am / Is / Are** ... -ing? Yes, I **am**. / No, it **isn't**.

And what are you doing now?

ask, answer, ask one more



1 **Read the pairs of questions. Cover the right side and say the second question.**

✋ COVER AND REMEMBER

What do you usually do after school? I usually ride my bike. And what are you doing now? I'm talking to you!

USUALLY	NOW / TODAY / THIS WEEK
1 What do you usually do after school?	And what are you doing now?
2 What do you usually wear to school?	What are you wearing today?
3 Where do you usually sit in class?	Where are you sitting today?
4 Who do you usually sit next to?	Who are you sitting next to today?
5 What do you usually read?	What are you reading this week?

2 **Ask your partner. Write short notes.**

	Usually	Now / today / this week
📚 after school		
👕 clothes		
🪑 in class		
📖 reading		

3 **Tell the class about your partner.**

Ola usually ... after school, but now she's ... .

Dice challenge

choose a level, roll, answer



1 Choose your level. Your teacher rolls the dice. Answer the question!

⭐ = one full sentence (1 point). ⭐⭐ = two sentences (2 points). ⭐⭐⭐ = three sentences (3 points). Count your points!

🎲	⭐ Level 1	⭐⭐ Level 2	⭐⭐⭐ Level 3
1	What do you usually eat for breakfast?	Who is sitting next to you? What is he or she wearing?	Talk about a normal Monday and about today.
2	What are you wearing today?	What does your mom or dad usually do on Saturdays?	Describe the classroom right now. Who is doing what?
3	Do you play an instrument?	What are you thinking about right now?	Your teacher: what does he or she usually do? What is he or she doing now?
4	What is your teacher doing now?	What do you never do on weekends? Why?	Your friend is calling you. Act it out: What are you doing?
5	Where do you usually do your homework?	What sport do you play? Are you playing it this week?	Guess! What is your family doing right now?
6	Are you sitting or standing right now?	What is your pet or your best friend doing now? Guess!	Choose a famous person. What does he or she usually do? What is he or she doing now?

2 How to start your answer. Cover the right side and remember.

✋ COVER AND REMEMBER

THE QUESTION	YOUR ANSWER STARTS
1 What do you usually...?	I usually ... .
2 What does she usually...?	She usually ...s.
3 What are you doing now?	Right now I'm ...ing.
4 Guess! What is he doing?	I think he's ...ing.

We are the champions!

two teams, two rounds



1 Round 1. Choose the right verb. Correct = 1 point for your team.

✋ THEN COVER THE OPTIONS

1 Look! Dad _____ a funny hat.
wears / is wearing

2 We _____ English on Fridays.
aren't having / don't have

3 Where _____ now?
does Ola go / is Ola going

4 My brother _____ tennis every Monday.
plays / is playing

5 Listen! Somebody _____ at the door.
knocks / is knocking

6 What _____ on weekends?
do you do / are you doing

2 Round 2. Two verbs in one sentence. Both correct = 2 points!

1 Kuba usually _____ to bed at nine, but tonight he _____ a movie.
goes / is going · watches / is watching

2 It _____ a lot here in winter. Look! It _____ now!
snows / is snowing

3 My mom _____ in a bank, but today she _____ from home.
works / is working

4 I _____ glasses, but today I _____ sunglasses. It's sunny!
don't wear / am not wearing · wear / am wearing

SCORE

Team A: _____ points

Team B: _____ points

The champions are: _____ 🏆 We are the champions!

This is Radio 5B!

read the report, choose the tense, make your own



1 Radio 5B is reporting from Sports Day. Complete with the verbs in brackets.

Look for the time words: every Friday, usually, today, right now, Look!, always, never.

RADIO 5B, LIVE

Good morning! This is Radio 5B. Every Friday we _____ (play) music in the hall, but today we _____ (report) live from Sports Day!

Right now the teachers _____ (run) a race. Look! Mr. Nowak _____ (win)! He usually _____ (walk) very slowly.

Our principal never _____ (play) sports, but today she _____ (play) volleyball with the kids.

The cook always _____ (make) soup on Fridays. Right now she _____ (make) hot dogs for everyone. Yum!

And what about the 4th grade? They _____ (sit) on the grass and they _____ (cheer) for the teachers.

Oh no! It _____ (start) to rain! See you next Friday on Radio 5B!

2 Cover the report. Answer from memory. Careful: usually or now?

1 What does Radio 5B usually do on Fridays? _____

2 Who is winning the race? _____

3 Does the principal often play sports? _____

4 What is the cook making right now? _____

3 Make your own radio report about your class. Read it to the class like a reporter!

This is Radio ... ! **Every day we** ... , **but today we're** ... . **Look!** ... **is** ...ing.