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Read the sentence, fill in the  
gap, and then check

Present Tenses\_ 1 vs 2\_(active + passive)

1. Every year more and more tourists ... (to visit) the Ionian Islands.  
Every year **more and more** tourists **are visiting** the Ionian Islands.
2. Many people ... (now, to think) about the possibility of owning property in this corner.  
Many people **are now thinking** about the possibility of owning property in this corner.
3. 'Is Maria ready yet?' 'No, she ... (to have) a shower.'  
**'Is Maria ready yet?'** 'No, she **is having** a shower.'
4. I ... (to hear) that you are not happy with the the management's proposal.  
I **hear** that you are not happy with the the management's proposal.
5. The cost of bringing up children ... (to increase) all the time!  
The cost of bringing up children **is increasing all the time!**
6. ... (he, to eat) rice every day?  
**Does he eat** rice **every day?**
7. Look! They ... (to leave) the house.  
**Look!** They **are leaving** the house.
8. Jenny ... (not, want) to get wet.  
Jenny **does not want** to get wet.
9. Normally, Jenny ... (to wear) black shoes, but today she ... (to wear) red willies.  
**Normally**, Jenny **wears** black shoes, but **today** she **is wearing** red willies.
10. Cats ... (to eat) mice.  
Cats **eat** mice.

11. For sure, many car accidents ... (cause) **by** bad driving.  
For sure any accidents **are caused by** bad driving.

12. We ... (to study) hard these days.  
We **are studying** hard **these days**.

13. A hundred people ... (usually, to employ) by the company.  
A hundred people **are usually employed by** the company.

14. Cheese ... (to make) from milk.  
Cheese **is made** from milk.

15. Be quiet! The comedy ... (to watch) over there.  
**Be quiet!** The film **is being watched** over there.

16. What ... (you, to do) this Monday?  
What **are you doing** this Monday?

17. The project ... (to develop) now by our engineers.  
The project **is being developed now** by our engineers.

18. I ... (not, to know) where he lives.  
I **don't know** where he lives.

19. At first I didn't understand Maths. Now I ... (to start) to realize how easy it is.  
At first I didn't understand Maths. **Now I am starting** to realize how easy it is.

20. I'm sorry Ann can't come to the phone, she ... (to have) a shower.  
I'm sorry Ann **can't come** to the phone, she **is having** a shower.

21. It ... (to get) more and more frustrating all the time.  
It **is getting more and more** frustrating all the time.

22. My elder/older son ... (to work) as a computer programmer this year.

My elder/older son **is working** as a computer programmer this year.

23. Tom's room looks tidy because he ... (to redecorate) it every other year.

Tom's room looks tidy because he **redecorates** it every other year.

24. I ... (not, to hear) from Mario these days.

I **do not hear** from Mario Mario these days.

25. You may take tis magazine. I ... (not, to read) it any more.

You may take tis magazine. I **am not reading** it any more.

26. How long ... (it, to take) you to make tea?

How long **does it take** you make tea?

27. The government is worried because the number of people without jobs ... (to rise).

The government is worried because the number of people without jobs **is rising**.

28. My colleague ... (to have) a house in France

My colleague **has** a house in France.

23. You ... (constantly, to fight) with your elder brother! Stop it!

You **are constantly fighting** with your elder brother! Stop it!

24. He is listening to music loudly. It ... (to get) on my nerves.

He is listening to music loudly. It **is getting** on my nerves.

25. We are working here until they ... (to come back).

We are working here until they **come** back.

26. He ... (still, to develop) our new draft programme.

He **is still developing** our new draft programme.

27. There is nobody there. You ... (just, to hear) things.

There is nobody there. You **are** just **hearing** things. (*Вам слышалось.*)

29. ... (you, to see) what I am writing on the blackboard?

**Do you see** what I am writing on the blackboard?

30. More and more people ... (to take) part in TV shows.

More and more people **are taking part** in TV shows.

31. The only problem is the waiting – like now, I ... (to sit) here and ... (to wait) for him to call.

The only problem is the waiting – like now, I **am sitting** here and **waiting** for him to call.

32. I ... (usually, to have) a really good time at work.

I **usually have** a really good time at work.

33. The other thing is that I ... (to get) more and more jobs at present, because there are so many TV companies these days.

The other thing is that I **am getting more and more** jobs at present, because there are so many TV companies these days.

34. Food prices ... (to climb) higher and higher at the moment.

Food prices **are climbing higher and higher at the moment.**

35. 'The bus is late.' 'I know. It ... (to come) late every day'.

'The bus is late.' 'I know. It **comes** late **every day**'.

36. I ... (to have) an incredibly boring job.

I **have** an incredibly boring job.

37. A red light ... (to mean) 'Stop'.

A red light **means** 'Stop'.

38. My grandmother likes the countryside. I ... (to prefer) the city.

My grandmother likes the countryside. I **prefer** the city.