

Exercises of Activity Book

Second section

Grammar

The Present Simple and the Present Continuous

1 Complete this paragraph with the correct form of the verbs in brackets using the Present Simple or the Present Continuous. Some verb forms might stay the same.

"Hello! I'm Danielle Cluer.

I (1) **live** in England. I'm studying World Literature at my local university. I (2) **am currently working** on a project about ancient literature. I (3) **am reading** about the world's earliest pieces of literature in the library at the moment. I like to read about the oldest and most famous stories in the world. Some of them (4) **tell** the story of kings and their adventures. These stories (5) **show** the skills of the poets at that time and their influence on other poets from around the world."

2 Some of the sentences below are grammatically wrong. Cross them out and write them correctly. Then, match the sentences with the rules in the box.

1. I am staying at my uncle's house until my parents are back next week. **Correct. d**
2. My mum and dad always check my school projects. **a**
3. Ahmad is writing about his favourite poet at the moment. **c**
4. I live with my family in Amman. **Correct. b**

3 Write the following sentences again using the adverb in brackets

instead of the underlined one. Make the necessary changes.

1. I'm reading an article on old African stories at the moment.
(often)

I often read articles on old African stories.

2. Hala eats lots of fish every week. (now)

Hala is eating lots of fish now.

3. Jawad's father usually takes his family to different places for their summer holidays. (at the moment)

Jawad's father is taking his family to different places for their summer holidays at the moment.

4. We are now studying hard before our exams. (always)

We always study hard before our exams.

5. We are spending our holidays in Aqaba at the moment. (every summer)

We spend our holidays in Aqaba every summer. Students' own answers

- 4 Write four sentences about your friends. Use the adverbs from exercise 3.

Fahd is talking to Omar at the moment.

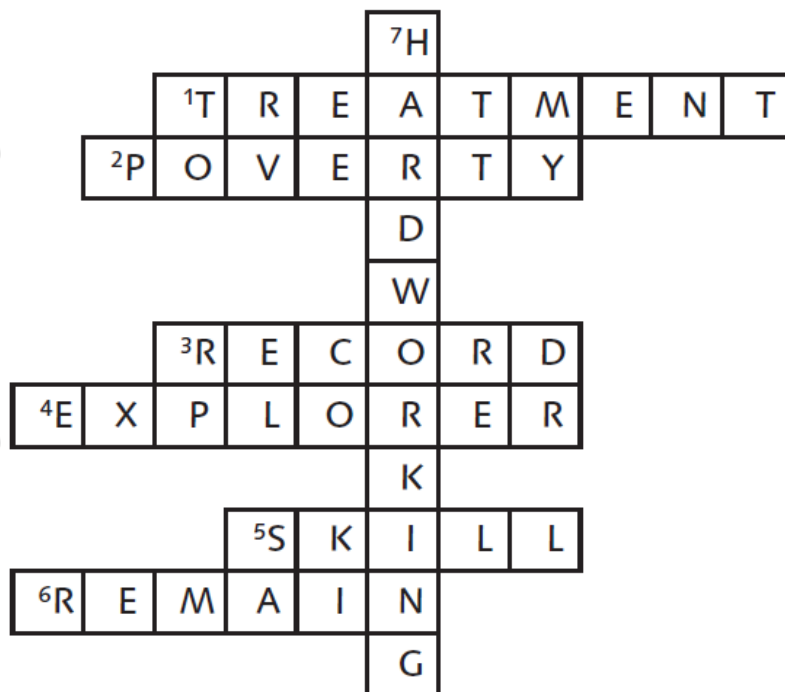
Students' own answers.

- 5 Rewrite this paragraph with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Some verb forms might stay the same.

“We **are** here to see how things work at JHCO. People of different nationalities **are gathering** here today to talk to us about their contribution to the organisation. Samia Ramadan, for example, is one of the many Jordanian doctors who **are currently providing** medical care for the sick. The girl who **is holding** a box is Jenny, an American student, who **goes** to medical school. She usually **helps** Dr Ramadan, but today she **is unloading** a truck along with other volunteers. They are preparing medical supplies, food and clothes to be sent later.”

Vocabulary Corner

6 Read the clues 1-6 and write the words horizontally in the puzzle. You are given the first letter.



1. medical care given to someone who is ill **TREATMENT**
2. the state of being extremely poor **POVERTY**
3. a written report of events and facts **RECORD**

4. someone who travels through an unknown area to find out about it **EXPLORER**
5. a talent or ability to do something **SKILL**
6. to continue to be in the same state or condition **REMAIN**

7 Read vertically the word for number 7. Write its clue.

HARD-WORKING

Example answer: putting great effort into work.