

PRE-INTERMEDIATE UNIT 2

2.1 present simple and continuous

- 1** Put the words in the correct order to make a conversation.

A: Sam / working / at / the moment / not / is

B: looking / job / a / for / he / is?

A: find / to / in / trying / is / he / work / travel industry / the / yes,

B: speaks / languages / three / he

A: likes / with / dealing / he / people / difficult

B: he / does / well / work / under pressure?

A: great / deadlines / isn't / he / with

B: colleagues / his / do / well / get on / him / with?

A: popular / is / he / very / a / his / member / of / team / yes,

B: looking / am / I / for / assistant / him / ask / so / call / me / to / an

- 2** Underline the correct alternative.

- 1 We are hiring/hire new people at the moment.
- 2 The employees are choosing/choose their own work hours.
- 3 We are having/have great relationships with our customers.
- 4 We are expanding/expand into different cities.
- 5 Many companies are offering/offer low salaries.
- 6 The employees are working/work from home on Fridays.
- 7 Does the boss get on/Is the boss getting on with her staff right now?
- 8 We're taking/We take our final exams at the moment.

- 3** Complete the text with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

Sam ¹ _____ (look for) his first job. He ² _____ (buy) the paper every day, ³ _____ (look for) jobs and ⁴ _____ (write) to everyone he can think of. He generally ⁵ _____ (do) well at interview because he ⁶ _____ (be) quite confident and friendly and ⁷ _____ (get on) well with people, but he ⁸ _____ (find) it difficult to get an interview at all. He ⁹ _____ (want) to work in travel because he ¹⁰ _____ (like) change and variety and he ¹¹ _____ (not want) a desk job.



2.2 adverbs of frequency

- 1** Match the words with the percentages.

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| 1 rarely | a) 100% |
| 2 usually | b) 0% |
| 3 never | c) 50% |
| 4 always | d) 80% |
| 5 sometimes | e) 10% |

- 2** Choose the correct sentence in each pair.

- 1 a) We never go to the theatre.
b) Never we go to the theatre.
- 2 a) I am late for usually school.
b) I am usually late for school.
- 3 a) They call me late at night always.
b) They always call me late at night.
- 4 a) She rarely eats red meat.
b) She eats rarely red meat.
- 5 a) He never has problems with customers.
b) He has problems with customers never.

2.3 expressing likes/dislikes

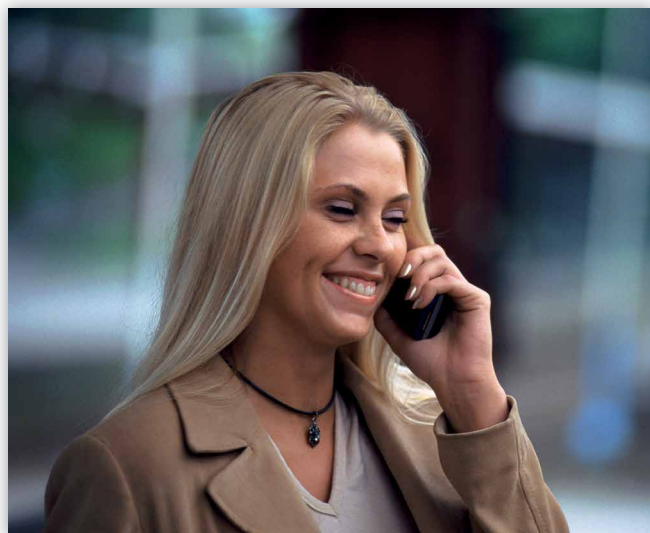
1 Complete the table with the words in the box.

absolutely love can't stand don't like
don't mind hate keen on like love
not very keen on

Positive
Neutral
Negative

2 Put the conversation in the correct order.

- a) Hi, Bella. How are things? 1
- b) Wow! Congratulations! I like fashion too, but I'm not keen on the long working hours.
- c) Yes, let's.
- d) It is. It's in the fashion industry, and I absolutely love fashion.
- e) Great actually. I've got a new job.
- f) Yes, I'm not keen on sitting at a desk all day either. Let's go out and celebrate!
- g) Really? That sounds exciting!
- h) Thanks! I don't mind doing the long hours for a job I love. I can't stand office jobs.



Consolidation

1 Choose the correct answer, a), b) or c).

Jon hates his job. He ¹ _____ in a busy office in the city centre. The problem is he ² _____ indoors and he ³ _____ stand being in the city. He loves ⁴ _____ outside. He ⁵ _____ for long walks every day in the parks and ⁶ _____ if it's cold and raining. His friends ⁷ _____ he should get a new job, but he ⁸ _____ ever has any time to look. Today he is on holiday and he ⁹ _____ at job advertisements. He ¹⁰ _____ he would like to work on a farm or maybe in the travel industry.

- 1 a) works
b) is working
c) worked
- 2 a) doesn't like work
b) doesn't like working
c) isn't like working
- 3 a) isn't
b) doesn't
c) can't
- 4 a) be
b) being
c) been
- 5 a) is going
b) went
c) goes
- 6 a) doesn't mind
b) not minds
c) isn't minding
- 7 a) tell often him
b) often tell him
c) often telling him
- 8 a) almost
b) hard
c) hardly
- 9 a) looks
b) is looking
c) look
- 10 a) sometimes thinks
b) sometimes is thinking
c) sometimes

