

What an interesting family!

- ▶ Describe families
- ▶ Talk about habitual and current activities

1 WORD POWER Family

A Look at Joseph's family tree. How are these people related to him? Add the words to the family tree.

- | | |
|-------------|---------------|
| cousin | niece |
| daughter | sister-in-law |
| father | uncle |
| grandmother | wife |



grandfather and _____



_____ and mother

aunt and _____



Joseph (husband) and his _____

brother and _____



son and _____



_____ and nephew



B Draw your family tree (or a friend's family tree). Then take turns talking about your families. Ask follow-up questions to get more information.



A: There are six people in my family. I have one brother and two sisters.



B: How old is your brother?



2 LISTENING Famous relatives

▶ Listen to four conversations about famous people. How is the second person related to the first person?

1.  

2.  

3.  

4.  

3 CONVERSATION He's traveling in Thailand.

▶ A Listen and practice.

 **MAX** Do you have brothers and sisters, Tina?

 **TINA** Yes, I have a brother and a sister.

 **MAX** Oh, what does your sister do?

 **TINA** She's a surgeon. She works for a medical aid organization.

 **MAX** Wow! And what about your brother?

 **TINA** He's a writer. He travels and writes about his experiences for a magazine.

 **MAX** What an interesting family! Can I meet them?

 **TINA** Sure, but my sister's not here right now. She's treating patients in Cameroon.

 **MAX** And your brother?

 **TINA** He's traveling in Thailand, and then he wants to visit my sister. I miss them!



▶ B Listen to the rest of the conversation. Where do Max's parents live? What do his parents do?

4 PRONUNCIATION Intonation in statements

▶ A Listen and practice. Notice that statements usually have falling intonation.

She's working in Cameroon. He's traveling in Thailand.

B **PAIR WORK** Practice the conversation in Exercise 3 again.

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5 GRAMMAR FOCUS

Present continuous

Are you living at home now?	Yes, I am .	No, I'm not .
Is your sister working in another city?	Yes, she is .	No, she's not ./No, she isn't .
Are your parents studying English this year?	Yes, they are .	No, they're not ./No, they aren't .
Where are you working now?	I'm not working . I need a job.	
What is your brother doing ?	He's traveling in Thailand.	
What are your friends doing these days?	They're studying for their exams.	

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A Complete these phone conversations using the present continuous.



- 1**
- A:** Hi, Brittany. What _____ you _____ (do)?
- B:** Hey, Zach. I _____ (eat) a sandwich at O'Connor's.
- A:** Mmm! Is it good?
- B:** Yeah. It's delicious. Wait, they _____ (bring) my dessert now. It's chocolate cake with ice cream. Call you later! Bye!



- 2**
- A:** So, Madison, how _____ you and your sister _____ (do) in college?
- B:** We _____ (have) a lot of fun, Mom!
- A:** Fun? OK, but _____ your sister _____ (go) to class every morning?
- B:** Yeah, Mom. She _____ (work) hard and I am, too. I'm serious!

B **PAIR WORK** Write a short dialogue using the present continuous, then practice it.

C **CLASS WORK** Read your dialogue to the class.

6 DISCUSSION What are you doing these days?

GROUP WORK Ask and answer questions about what you are doing. Use the topics in the box and your own ideas. Ask follow-up questions to get more information.

- A:** So, what are you doing these days?
- B:** I'm playing basketball in college.
- A:** That's nice. And are you enjoying it?

topics to talk about

traveling	going to high school or college
playing a sport	learning a musical instrument
living alone	working or studying

7 INTERCHANGE 5 Family facts

Find out about your classmates' families. Go to Interchange 5 on page 119.

8 SNAPSHOT

Countries of the World Quiz

True or false? Take the quiz, then check your answers.

1. In Argentina, 80% of the population lives in rural areas.
2. In Russia, 99.7% of the population can read and write.
3. In South Korea, more than 85% of high school students go on to college.
4. In Denmark, 70% of the women have jobs.
5. In Mexico, 20% of the population is 65 years old or more.
6. Brazil occupies 60% of the area of South America.
7. In Chile, more than 90% of the population lives with family.
8. Japan imports about 25% of Jamaica's total coffee production.
9. In India, more than 25% of the population goes to the movies regularly.

Answers: 1. False - around 10% live in rural areas 2. True 3. True 4. True 5. False - 6% 6. False - 47.3% 7. True 8. True 9. False - less than 4%

Which facts surprise you? Why?

What interesting facts do you know about your country?

9 CONVERSATION I didn't know that.

A Listen and practice.



LUIS What a great picture! Are those your parents?



VICKY Thanks! Yes, it's my favorite picture of us.



LUIS It's really nice. So, do you have any brothers or sisters?



VICKY No, I'm an only child. Actually, a lot of families in China have only one child.



LUIS Oh, really? I didn't know that.



VICKY What about you, Luis?



LUIS I come from a big family. I have two brothers and four sisters.



VICKY Wow! Is that typical in Peru?



LUIS I'm not sure. Many families are smaller these days. But big families are great because you get a lot of birthday presents!



B Listen to the rest of the conversation. What does Vicky like about being an only child?

10 GRAMMAR FOCUS

Quantifiers

100%	All	
	Nearly all	families have only one child.
	Most	
	Many	
	A lot of	families are smaller these days.
	Some	
	Not many	couples have more than one child.
	Few	
0%	No one	gets married before the age of 18.

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A Rewrite these sentences using quantifiers. Then compare with a partner.

1. In the U.S., 69% of high school students go to college.

2. Seven percent of the people in Brazil are age 65 or older.

3. In India, 0% of the people vote before the age of 18.

4. Forty percent of the people in Sweden live alone.

5. In Canada, 22% of the people speak French at home.

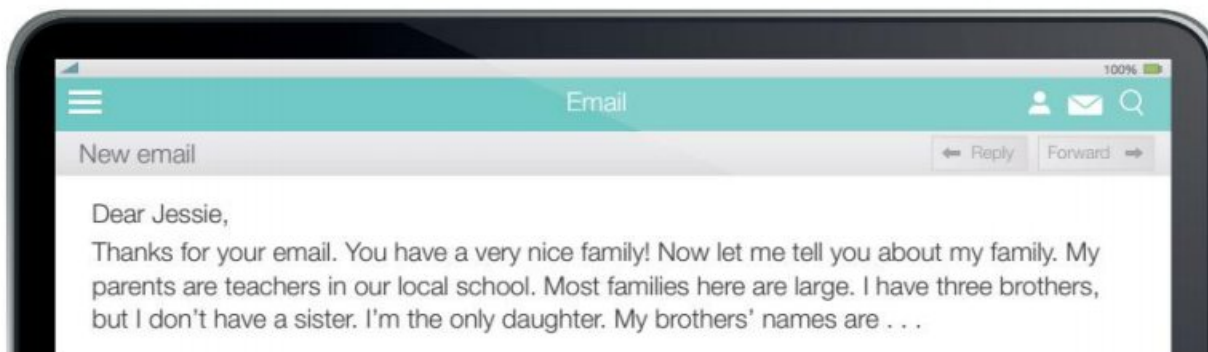


B PAIR WORK Rewrite the sentences in part A so that they are true about your country.

In the U.S., most high school students go to college.

11 WRITING An email to an online friend

A You have an online friend in another country. Write an email to your friend about your family.



B GROUP WORK Take turns reading your emails. Ask questions to get more information.

A A journalist interviewed four people. Read the title of the article. What do you think the answer will be? Check (✓) the answer.

- Yes, most families do. No, most families don't. Some families do, some families don't.

DO FAMILIES SPEND A LOT OF TIME TOGETHER?



We spend a lot of time together on the weekends. My husband and I always take our son, Oliver, and daughter, Samantha, out to do something fun. Some weeks we go for a long bike ride and get a lot of fresh air! We go to the beach in the summer, of course. In the evenings, we have a barbecue together. During the week, it's more difficult to spend time together because of work and school.
– Jane Chambers



It's a little sad, but most of the time we spend as a family is watching TV. We don't talk much. My mom and dad both work, and they're often tired when they get home. My sister just plays games on her tablet all evening. It's kind of boring. Maybe we spend about an hour a day together. It's never more than that.
– Billy Foster

I'm a stay-at-home dad, and I'm having a great time with my family! When the kids are in school, I do housework. When they come home, I help them with their homework. After that, we all have fun together. We play a lot of sports and read books. I love all the time I get with my two boys.
– Nick Ramos



We're always really busy, but we make an effort to spend time together. My grandparents come over to our house twice a week for dinner. I think family is very important. I often help my mom or dad cook the meals. Sometimes we all go to the movies. I like that a lot.
– Carla Costantini

B Read the interviews. Then check the correct names.

Who . . . ?

1. watches a lot of TV
2. sees their grandparents twice a week
3. spends time outdoors
4. stays at home with the kids
5. doesn't spend much time with family
6. does housework during the day

	Jane	Billy	Nick	Carla
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C GROUP WORK What do families look like in your country? Do dads stay at home with their children? Do you think that's a good thing or a bad thing? Is it important to you to spend time with your family?

INTERCHANGE 5 Is that true?

CLASS ACTIVITY Go around the class telling your classmates three activities that members of your family are doing these days. Two activities have to be true, but one needs to be false! Can your classmates guess which activity is false with only two questions?



learning a foreign language



raising a child



renovating the house



working in another country



writing a blog



your ideas



learning to drive



going to college



traveling around the world



playing in a band



playing on a team

A: My brother is working in Berlin and his wife is studying German there. My niece is learning three languages at school: German, English, and Spanish.

B: Is your brother really working in Berlin?

A: Yes, he is.

B: Is your niece really learning Spanish?

A: No, she's not! She's learning German and English, but she isn't learning Spanish.

1 Present continuous page 32

- Use the present continuous to talk about actions that are happening now: What **are** you **doing (these days)**? I'm **studying** English.
- The present continuous is present of *be + -ing*. For verbs ending in *e*, drop the *e* and add *-ing*: have → having, live → living.
- For verbs ending in vowel + consonant, double the consonant and add *-ing*: sit → sitting.

Write questions with the words in parentheses and the present continuous. Then complete the responses with short answers or the verbs in the box.

live study take ✓ teach work

1. **A:** (what / your sister / do / these days) What's your sister doing these days?
B: She's teaching English.
A: Really? (she / live / abroad) _____
B: Yes, _____. She _____ in South Korea.
2. **A:** (how / you / spend / your summer) _____
B: I _____ part-time. I _____ two classes also.
A: (what / you / take) _____
B: My friend and I _____ photography and Japanese. We like our classes a lot.

2 Quantifiers page 34

- Use *a lot of, all, few, nearly all* before plural nouns: **A lot of/All/Few/Nearly all** families are small. Use *no one* before a verb: **No one** gets married before the age of 18.
- *Nearly all* means "almost all."

Read the sentences about the small town of Monroe. Rewrite the sentences using the quantifiers in the box. Use each quantifier only once.

a lot of all few nearly all ✓ no one

1. In Monroe, 0% of the people drive before the age of 16.
In Monroe, no one drives before the age of 16.
2. Ninety-eight percent of students finish high school.

3. One hundred percent of children start school by the age of six.

4. Eighty-nine percent of couples have more than one child.

5. Five percent of families have more than four children.
