Lesson 3 — Present Tenses: How Families Live

Name: _____ Class: 10 ____ Date: _____

29 useful words and phrases. Read each item, study the Uzbek meaning and the example sentence, then do the exercises.

A. Family routines and habits

#	English	Uzbek	Example sentence
1	**go on holiday**	dam olishga (ta'tilga) bormoq	Our family **goes on holiday** to Chimgan every summer.
2	**have dinner together**	birga kechki ovqatlanmoq	On Fridays we always **have dinner together** at Grandma's house.
3	**walk to school**	maktabga piyoda bormoq	Jasur usually **walks to school** with his best friend.
4	**work in an office**	ofisda ishlamoq	My dad **works in an office** in the city centre.
5	**a newsreader**	yangiliklar boshlovchisi	My aunt is **a newsreader** and reads the evening news on local TV.
6	**play the piano**	pianino chalmoq	Madina **plays the piano** every evening after dinner.
7	**come to visit**	mehmonga kelmoq	My grandparents often **come to visit** us on Sundays.
8	**sing in the school choir**	maktab xorida qo'shiq aytmoq	My sister **sings in the school choir** and practises every Tuesday.
9	**do the chores**	uy yumushlarini qilmoq	In our house everyone **does the chores** on Saturday morning.
10	**do the washing-up**	idish-tovoq yuvmoq	Dad usually **does the washing-up** after dinner.
11	**keep your room tidy**	xonangni ozoda tutmoq	My little brother never **keeps his room tidy**.

B. Happening now or for now

#	English	Uzbek	Example sentence
12	**stay with somebody**	birovnikida vaqtincha yashamoq	My cousins from Fergana **are staying with** us this week.
13	**study for exams**	imtihonlarga tayyorlanmoq	My sister can't come to the party because she **is studying for her exams**.
14	**act in the school play**	maktab spektaklida rol o'ynamoq	Zarina **is acting in the school play** next week, so she's very nervous.
15	**sleep over**	do'stinikida tunab qolmoq	Tonight I **am sleeping over** at my friend's house.
16	**stay up late**	kechgacha uxlamay o'tirmoq	We **are staying up late** tonight to watch the football final.
17	**talk on the phone**	telefonda gaplashmoq	Not now — Mum **is talking on the phone** with Grandma.
18	**have a shower**	dush qabul qilmoq, dushga tushmoq	Can you call back later? Dad **is having a shower**.
19	**get better**	yaxshilanmoq, tuzalmoq	Grandma was ill last week, but she **is getting better** now.
20	**wash the car**	mashinani yuvmoq	Look! Dad **is washing the car** in the rain!
21	**take the dog to the vet**	itni veterinarga olib bormoq	On Monday my sister **is taking the dog to the vet**.

C. Arguments and annoying habits

#	English	Uzbek	Example sentence
22	**argue about**	…haqida tortishmoq	My brother and I **argue about** the TV remote every evening.
23	**have an argument**	janjallashib qolmoq, urishib qolmoq	Shh, my parents **are having an argument** about money.
24	**play tricks on**	…ni laqillatmoq, …ga hazil qilmoq	My cousins **are always playing tricks on** me.
25	**play music loud**	musiqani baland qo‘ymoq	My neighbour **plays music loud** every night.
26	**turn the music down**	musiqa ovozini pasaytirmoq	Mum is always telling me to **turn the music down**.
27	**stay out late**	uyga kech qaytmoq	My parents don’t like it when I **stay out late**.
28	**share a family computer**	oilaviy kompyuterdan birga foydalanmoq	We **share a family computer**, so we often argue about whose turn it is.
29	**an annoying habit**	asabga tegadigan odat	Leaving dirty cups everywhere is my brother’s most **annoying habit**.

Reading — today's words in context

Read the text. The words in **bold** are from today's list — cover the table above and try to understand them from the sentence.

How families keep in touch

As a rule, our family eats together on Fridays. From time to time somebody is missing — my brother currently studies in Tashkent and at the moment he **is studying for his exams** — but these days we all appear on one screen anyway.

Right now my mother is cooking and my father **is washing the car** outside. My grandmother, who hardly ever uses a phone, prefers letters, and believe me, she still writes them.

I understand her. A letter means more than a message: it contains the handwriting, the paper, the time somebody spent. I realise that this seems old-fashioned, but I recognise the value of it.

Every family deserves that kind of attention. It matters who you call and how often; it depends on you, not on the technology. Whatever belongs to the past, one thing involves no screen at all — sitting down and listening.

The housework is another kind of contact. We take turns: my sister and I share the housework, and every now and then our cousins drop by and help out. Someone has to **do the chores**, someone has to **do the washing-up**, and whoever finishes first gives the other a hand.

My father commutes to the factory and on a regular basis he gives my aunt a lift or drops her off at the clinic. Once in a while we all **have dinner together** at my grandmother's house, catch up with each other and keep in touch for another month.

Families are also made of small habits. My parents support us and respect our choices; they trust us, so we rely on them. They encourage more than they criticise, and they forgive quickly. My uncle **plays tricks on** everybody and my grandmother spoils the youngest, but nobody argues for long. I take after my mother and I look up to my father, who was brought up in a village and still gets on with everyone he meets.

Answer the questions in one sentence.

1. When does the family usually eat together?

2. Why is the brother not there?

3. What does the grandmother prefer?

4. According to the writer, what does keeping in touch depend on?

Exercise 1 — Gap fill

Complete the sentences with one word or phrase from the list.

1. Quiet! My brother _____ _____ his homework right now.
2. We _____ dinner together every evening — it is our rule.
3. This house _____ _____ my grandparents; they built it in 1970.
4. Please be quiet — Grandma _____ _____ on the phone to Aunt Lola.
5. Today Dad _____ _____ the car himself, but usually my brother washes it.
6. My brother _____ _____ for his exams this week, so he can't play football with us.
7. My sister _____ her room tidy, but my room is always a mess!
8. I _____ living with my family _____ living alone.
9. My uncle _____ a small shop; he opens it at seven every morning.
10. _____ _____ _____ _____ we argue about the television, but not often.
11. He _____ that family is more important than money.
12. My cousins _____ _____ in Tashkent this month — they usually live in Bukhara.

Exercise 2 — Match the word with its Uzbek meaning

#	English		Uzbek
1	act in the school play	a)	asabga tegadigan odat
2	sleep over	b)	birovnikida vaqtincha yashamoq
3	keep your room tidy	c)	dam olishga (ta'tilga) bormoq
4	come to visit	d)	ofisda ishlamoq
5	share a family computer	e)	oilaviy kompyuterdan birga foydalanmoq
6	work in an office	f)	do'stinikida tunab qolmoq
7	an annoying habit	g)	xonangni ozoda tutmoq
8	have a shower	h)	mehmonga kelmoq
9	go on holiday	i)	maktab spektaklida rol o'ynamoq
10	stay with somebody	j)	dush qabul qilmoq, dushga tushmoq

Exercise 3 — Your own sentences

Write 3 true sentences about yourself, your family or your school — one word from each section (A-C). Underline the word you use.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Homework

1. Learn the 29 words (sections A–C).
2. sozlar.com/vocab/cards/?set=grade10-lesson3 — listen to each word and test yourself.
3. Write a 100-120 word paragraph: 'How my family lives these days', using both present tenses and six new words.
4. Workbook: present tense review exercises.

Memory tasks (optional — choose one)

Students need to meet a word 5–7 times before they really know it.

1. **Sentences (tonight).** Write 8 true sentences using words from the list — at least one from every section.
2. **Flashcards.** sozlar.com/vocab/cards/?set=grade10-lesson3 — listen to each word, then test yourself English → Uzbek and back.
3. **Short text (100–120 words).** Use at least six words from the list.
4. **Speaking.** Tell a partner about the topic for one minute without stopping, using ten words from the list.

Answer key (teacher's copy)

Do not hand this page to the students.

Reading questions: 1. On Fridays, as a rule.; 2. He currently studies in Tashkent.; 3. Letters — she hardly ever uses a phone.; 4. On you, not on the technology.

Exercise 1: 1. is doing; 2. have; 3. belongs to; 4. is talking; 5. is washing; 6. is studying; 7. keeps; 8. prefer / to; 9. owns; 10. Every now and then; 11. believes; 12. are staying

Exercise 2: 1-i 2-f 3-g 4-h 5-e 6-d 7-a 8-j 9-c 10-b