

**3 Choose the correct words in *italics*. In one sentence, both answers are possible.**

**2.57 Listen and check.**

- 0 Fatima's a really good friend. She never *(forgets)* *is forgetting* my birthday.  
 1 Selina *doesn't work / isn't working* in her office at the moment because the builders are there.  
 2 Mmm. Those roses *smell / are smelling* lovely. Are they from your garden?  
 3 I can't believe how difficult my new course is. *I find / I'm finding* it really hard to keep up with all the reading at the moment.  
 4 These are difficult times because food and fuel prices *go up / are going up* quickly.  
 5 *Do you believe / Are you believing* anything that child says?  
 6 Harry isn't at work because *he feels / he's feeling* unwell.  
 7 In the film 'Australia' two young people *meet / are meeting* and become friends during World War II.  
 8 Some of the students *don't understand / aren't understanding* basic mathematical ideas.

**4 GRAMMAR IN USE Check the verbs in the list; write A for action, S for state or A/S for action/state. Then complete the conversation with the verbs in the present simple or present continuous. Use each verb once only. 2.58 Listen and check.**

appear *A/S* ..... be ..... enjoy ..... ~~feel~~ .....  
 go ..... go well ..... have ..... know .....  
 like ..... see ..... visit .....

JULIET I (0) *feel* ..... exhausted after all that shopping!

KAREN So do I. I usually (1) ..... a coffee after shopping. This café looks nice.

JULIET Mmm. I (2) (not often) ..... shopping, but I really (3) ..... it when I do!

KAREN Let's sit here. Show me your new dress again. That's really nice. (4) ..... it for a special occasion?

JULIET No, I just need to cheer myself up!

KAREN Oh, why? Everything (5) ..... with your job, isn't it?

JULIET Well, not really.

KAREN Why's that? You usually (6) ..... to be so happy in your work.

JULIET Well, I was at first but as you know, I (7) ..... my family in Scotland whenever I can, and these days, now that Dad's quite ill, I (8) ..... them every weekend, so I'm leaving work early every Friday to get to Scotland. My boss (9) (not) ..... that, although I work longer on other days, so we're always arguing at the moment.

KAREN That's a shame. What are you going to do?

JULIET Honestly, Karen, I (10) (not) ..... I really like the job, but I need to be with my family at the moment, too.

**5 Use the verbs in brackets to write about yourself. Choose the present simple or continuous.**

- 0 (live) *I live with my parents but I'm planning to move into a flat with friends soon.*  
 1 (live) .....  
 2 (work/study) .....  
 3 (enjoy) .....  
 4 (believe) .....