Diagnostic test 1

Present tenses

Write the correct form of the words in brackets to complete the sentences. Use only the present simple (e.g. arrives/doesn’t arrive) or the present continuous (e.g. is/are arriving):

1) Carina (enjoy) hospital dramas so she (watch) them every week.
2) Japanese cooking (not use) a lot of dairy food.
3) The interest rate (usually/change) because of inflation?
4) Graham won’t give up cigarettes. He (smoke) about fifty a day.
5) Britney-Spears (stay) in the Waldorf Astoria on this visit to New York.
6) We (take) a two-week winter holiday in Gstaad every year.
7) I (feed) the neighbour's cat this week while she's in hospital.
8) The court (not/usually/send) first-time offenders to prison, but it is possible in exceptional circumstances.
9) Then you (mix) all the ingredients together quickly and (put) the mixture in a hot oven for twenty minutes.
10) I can see the leaders. The three front runners (turn) the corner into the stadium complex now.
11) Julie, listen to this. It’s Thursday evening and I (get) home really late from the club, and she (say) to me.
12) Hewitt certainly (not/play) his best tennis at the moment.
13) Hurry up and buy your sandwich! Here (come) the bus!
14) Sorry I haven't phoned. I lost my address book.' 'Oh, you (always/lose) your address book! Why don't you keep everything on the computer?'
15) The part-time philosophy (consist of) twenty evening lectures and five full-day seminars.
16) (you/think) we should allow more than an hour to get to the station?
17) We can't leave a ten-year-old child on her own. What on earth (you/think) of?
18) Don't ask him! He (be) really difficult at the moment.
19) Would you like to try these champagnes? We (taste) them to write a review for the wine club newsletter.
20) We (guarantee) that you won't be disappointed with the performance of our new washing machine.