

# Practice exercises

## Grammar: Present simple and continuous; present perfect simple and continuous – Introducing an organisation

### Unit 1

- 1 Complete the information about a company in the Caribbean with the correct form of the verb. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

What does Caribcruise do? Caribcruise is a small company which (1) ..... (organise) sailing holidays in the Caribbean from its base on Martinique. The company (2) ..... (provide) the experience of a lifetime for its customers for the last ten years. It now (3) ..... (own) 20 yachts and (4) ..... (receive) several awards for the quality of its service.

What's new? At the moment we (5) ..... (expand) our operations. What's more, our new online booking system (6) ..... (let) you check availability to destinations 24 hours a day. Still need convincing? You can look at our picture gallery which we (7) ..... (develop) recently. It will inspire you to join us.

## Grammar: Present simple and continuous; present perfect simple and continuous – Keeping small talk going

- 2 Two people meet on holiday. Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verb.

A: So, where (1) ..... ? (you / stay)  
B: At the Palm Strip Hotel. In fact, we always stay there.  
A: Really? How long (2) ..... to Guadeloupe? (you / come)  
B: For over ten years! So how long (3) ..... here? (you / be)  
A: Since Friday.  
B: And how often (4) ..... to this part of the world? (you / come)  
A: We (5) ..... to the Caribbean before. (never / be)  
B: I'm lucky – I (6) ..... (run) a small company on Martinique.  
A: Sounds good. What (7) ..... exactly? (you / do)  
B: It's a sailing holiday company.  
A: That must be fun.

### Over to you

Imagine meeting the owner of Caribcruise. Write some polite small talk questions he/she could ask you using these tenses. Then write down your answers to the questions.