Present Tense – Simple or Progressive: Fill in the correct form.

1. You can’t see Tom now. He __________________________ a bath. (have)
2. He usually __________________________ coffee, but today he __________________________ tea. (drink, drink)
3. I won’t go out now because it __________________________ and I __________________________ an umbrella. (rain, not have)
4. In Spain women usually __________________________ hats. (not wear)
5. Who __________________________ that terrible noise? It is John. He __________________________ his nose. (make, blow)
6. My dentist always keeps __________________________ me to clean my teeth. I hate that. (tell)
7. He never __________________________ to the theatre. (go)
8. I __________________________ this weekend in Eastbourne. I __________________________ there nearly every week. (spend, go)
9. My wife always keeps __________________________ for more money at the end of the week. (ask)
10. Who __________________________ to on the phone? (you speak)
11. Anne __________________________ all her clothes. At the moment she __________________________ a dress for herself. (make, make)
12. What’s that smell? Something __________________________ in the kitchen. (burn)
13. I __________________________ overtime this month because I __________________________ up to buy a new car. (work, save)
14. He __________________________ thirty cigarettes a day but at the moment he __________________________ very hard to stop. (smoke, try)
15. The sun __________________________ in the east and __________________________ in the west. (rise, set)
16. She usually __________________________ languages very fast but she __________________________ problems with Chinese at the moment. (learn, have)
17. He never __________________________ to the theatre. (go)
18. Do __________________________ television every night? (you watch)
19. He always __________________________ his bills on time. (pay)
20. My father usually __________________________ his breakfast at eight. (eat)
21. How long __________________________ to get to the office? It __________________________ me half an hour. (it take, take)
22. The boat __________________________ Victoria Station at 9. (leave)
23. __________________________ how old I am? (you know)
24. Jane’s husband __________________________. (not smoke)
25. It __________________________ in Egypt. (not often rain)
26. Florence __________________________ on the river Arno. (lie)
27. He usually __________________________ so quickly that I __________________________ him. (speak, not understand)
28. How __________________________ to work? – I usually __________________________ by car but tomorrow I __________________________ in Tom’s car. (you get, go, go)
29. Why __________________________ on your raincoat? – I __________________________ for a walk. – __________________________ to come with me? (you put, go, you want)
30. I always __________________________ lottery tickets but I never __________________________. (buy, win)
31. __________________________ him? – I __________________________ him, but I __________________________ him. (you love, like, not love)
32. __________________________ him tonight? – Yes, I always __________________________ to him on his birthday. __________________________ to send him a message? (you write, write, you want)
33. That car __________________________ a very strange noise. __________________________ it’s all right? – Oh yes, that noise __________________________. It always __________________________ a noise like that. (make, you think, not matter, make)
34. The plane that you __________________________ at now __________________________ for Paris. (look, take off)
35. What __________________________ to his car now? – I think he __________________________ it. (he do, polish)
Present Tense – Simple or Progressive: Key

1. You can’t see Tom now. He is having a bath.
2. He usually drinks coffee, but today he is drinking tea.
3. I won’t go out now because it is raining and I don’t have an umbrella.
4. In Spain women usually do not wear hats.
5. Who is making that terrible noise? It is John. He is blowing his nose.
6. My dentist always keeps telling me to clean my teeth. I hate that.
7. He never goes to the theatre.
8. I am spending this weekend in Eastbourne. I go there nearly every week.
9. My wife always keeps asking for more money at the end of the week.
10. Who are you speaking to on the phone?
11. Anne makes all her clothes. At the moment she is making a dress for herself.
12. What’s that smell? Something is burning in the kitchen.
13. I am working overtime this month because I am saving up to buy a new car.
14. He smokes thirty cigarettes a day but at the moment he is trying very hard to stop.
15. The sun rises in the east and sets in the west.
16. She usually learns languages very fast but she is having problems with Chinese at the moment.
17. He never goes to the theatre.
18. Do you watch television every night?
19. He always pays his bills on time.
20. My father usually eats his breakfast at eight.
21. How long does it take to get to the office? It takes me half an hour.
22. The boat leaves Victoria Station at 9.
23. Do you know how old I am?
24. Jane’s husband does not smoke.
25. It does not often rain in Egypt.
27. He usually speaks so quickly that I don’t understand him.
28. How do you get to work? – I usually go by car but tomorrow I am going in Tom’s car.
29. Why are you putting on your raincoat? – I am going for a walk. – Do you want to come with me?
30. I always buy lottery tickets but I never win.
31. Do you love him? – I like him, but I don’t love him.
32. Are you writing him tonight? – Yes, I always write to him on his birthday. Do you want to send him a message?
33. That car is making a very strange noise. Do you think it’s all right? – Oh yes, that noise does not matter. It always makes a noise like that.
34. The plane that you are looking at now is taking off for Paris.
35. What is he doing to his car now? – I think he is polishing it.