



Beginner 1 | Lesson 8 | Basic Sentence Patterns

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**Todd:** So Natalie, \_\_\_\_\_ typical day for you? For example, what is a typical morning?

**Natalie:** Well, I \_\_\_\_\_ about 7:00 a.m.

**Todd:** Oh, that's early.

**Natalie:** Yes, I really \_\_\_\_\_ morning person.

**Todd:** I think you are a morning person. \_\_\_\_\_ morning person at all.

**Natalie:** Well, I don't actually \_\_\_\_\_ bed until about 7:30.

**Todd:** Oh, okay. So what \_\_\_\_\_ do?

**Natalie:** Well, I play on my phone, I \_\_\_\_\_ emails, I check Facebook, and I \_\_\_\_\_ news.

**Todd:** And do \_\_\_\_\_ breakfast at home?

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**Todd:** What do \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Natalie:** Oh, \_\_\_\_\_ simple stuff, eggs, bacon, sausages. Sometimes I'll have toast.

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**Natalie:** No, I don't like coffee or tea.

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**Natalie:** Actually, I like hot chocolate in the morning.

**Todd:** Yeah, I like hot chocolate, too. So what about your day?

**Natalie:** Well, I'm a teacher. I teach at a school. Lessons start at about 9:00 a.m. and we have lunch at noon.

**Todd:** How many classes do you have in the morning?

**Natalie:** Each class lasts an hour, so I have three classes.

**Todd:** Do you eat lunch at school?

**Natalie:** Yes, we have a huge canteen.

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## Grammar Challenge

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