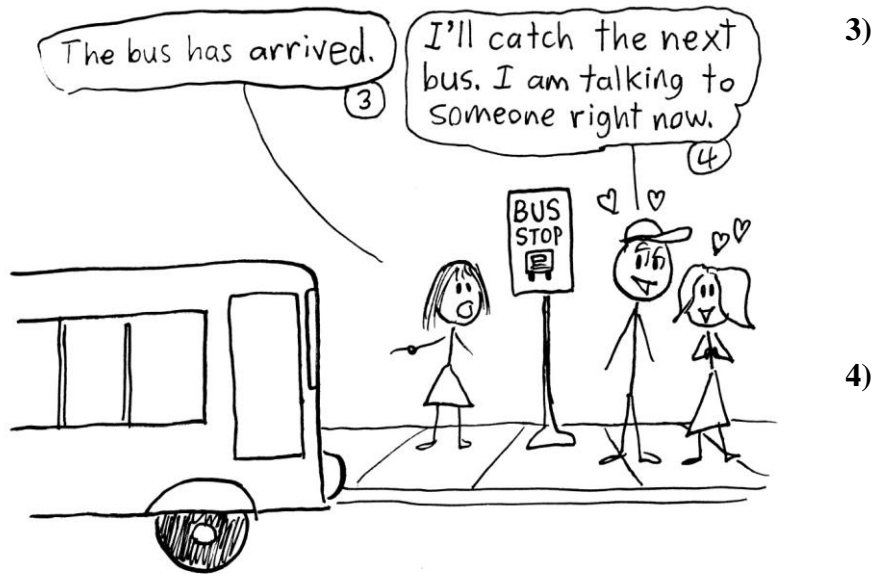
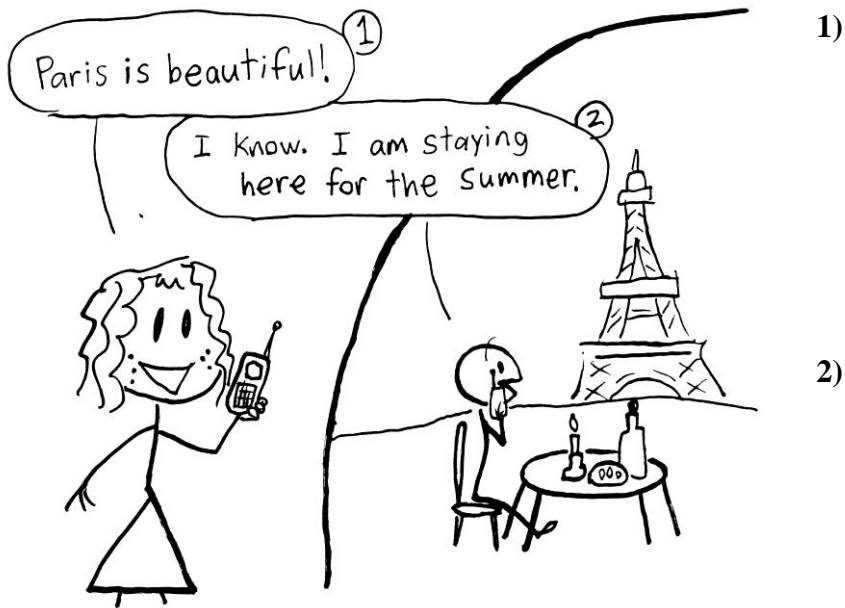


## TOEFL Worksheet: The Present Tenses and their Uses

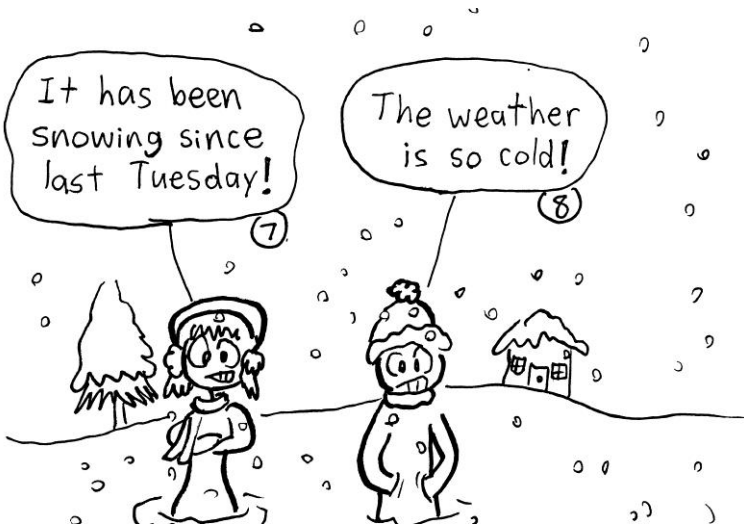
Read the cartoons below. Which form of the present tense appears in each word balloon, and why is that tense being used?

(Answer key on page 3)





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10)

**Answer Key:**

- 1) Simple present: stative verb about the “real” present and general timeless fact
- 2) Present continuous: temporary action.
- 3) Present perfect: a recently completed action that still influences the present
- 4) Present continuous: an event that is happening right now in the “real” present
- 5) Present perfect: an action that started in the past, continues into the present, and may continue into the future
- 6) Present perfect: separate actions that happened in the past and may happen again in the future
- 7) Present perfect continuous: an action that started in the past, continues into the present, and may continue into the future
- 8) Simple present: a stative verb about the “real” present
- 9) Simple present: habitual routine action
- 10) Simple present: narrative style