

# 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.