

G simple present or present continuous?

V the weather and seasons

P places in Chicago

1 VOCABULARY the weather and seasons

a Put the letters in the right order to make seasons.

1 pgrsin
spring2 irtew
winter3 umrres
summer4 lalf
fall

b Complete the words. What's the weather like?

THE WEATHER
AROUND THE WORLD

1 Beijing

It's f o g g y.

5 Istanbul

It's s _____.



2 Buenos Aires

It's w _____.



6 Chicago

It's r _____.



3 Bangkok

It's h _____.



7 Moscow

It's c _____.



4 New York City

It's sn _____.



8 Lima

It's cl _____.

c Complete the sentences with the phrases in b.

1 The sky is gray today. It's cloudy.2 Can you open the window, please?
Yes, I can.3 Take an umbrella. It's raining.4 Look! Everything's white. It's snowing.5 The trees are moving. It's windy.6 Slow down and turn on the lights.
It's dark.7 Let's go to the beach. It's sunny.8 Close the window. It's cold.

2 GRAMMAR simple present or present continuous?

a Circle the correct form.

1 A What time does the museum close?

B It closes / It's closing at 6 p.m., I think.

2 A What are you doing here?

B I'm on vacation. I sightsee / I'm sightseeing.

3 A Can you talk?

B No. I have dinner / I'm having dinner.

4 A Where do they usually go / are they usually going on vacation?

B To the Caribbean.

5 A How often does your wife go abroad?

B She travels / She's traveling to Asia four times a year.

6 A Does it rain / Is it raining where you are?

B Yes, it's really wet here.

7 A What does your girlfriend do / is your girlfriend doing?

B She's a travel guide.

8 A Do you work / Are you working this week?

B No. I'm on vacation.

b Complete the sentences. Use the simple present or present continuous.

- 1 Helen usually drives (drive) to work, but today it's sunny, so she's walking (walk).
- 2 Tom usually _____ (make) dinner for his wife, but today it's his birthday, so he _____ (not cook).
- 3 I _____ (work) this evening, but I usually _____ (finish) work at 5:00.
- 4 Scott and Chris often _____ (practice) their guitars in the evening, but tonight, they _____ (play) in a concert.
- 5 Laura usually _____ (go) on vacation in the summer, but this year she _____ (work) in a restaurant.
- 6 I _____ (read) a book in English right now, but I usually _____ (buy) books in Spanish.

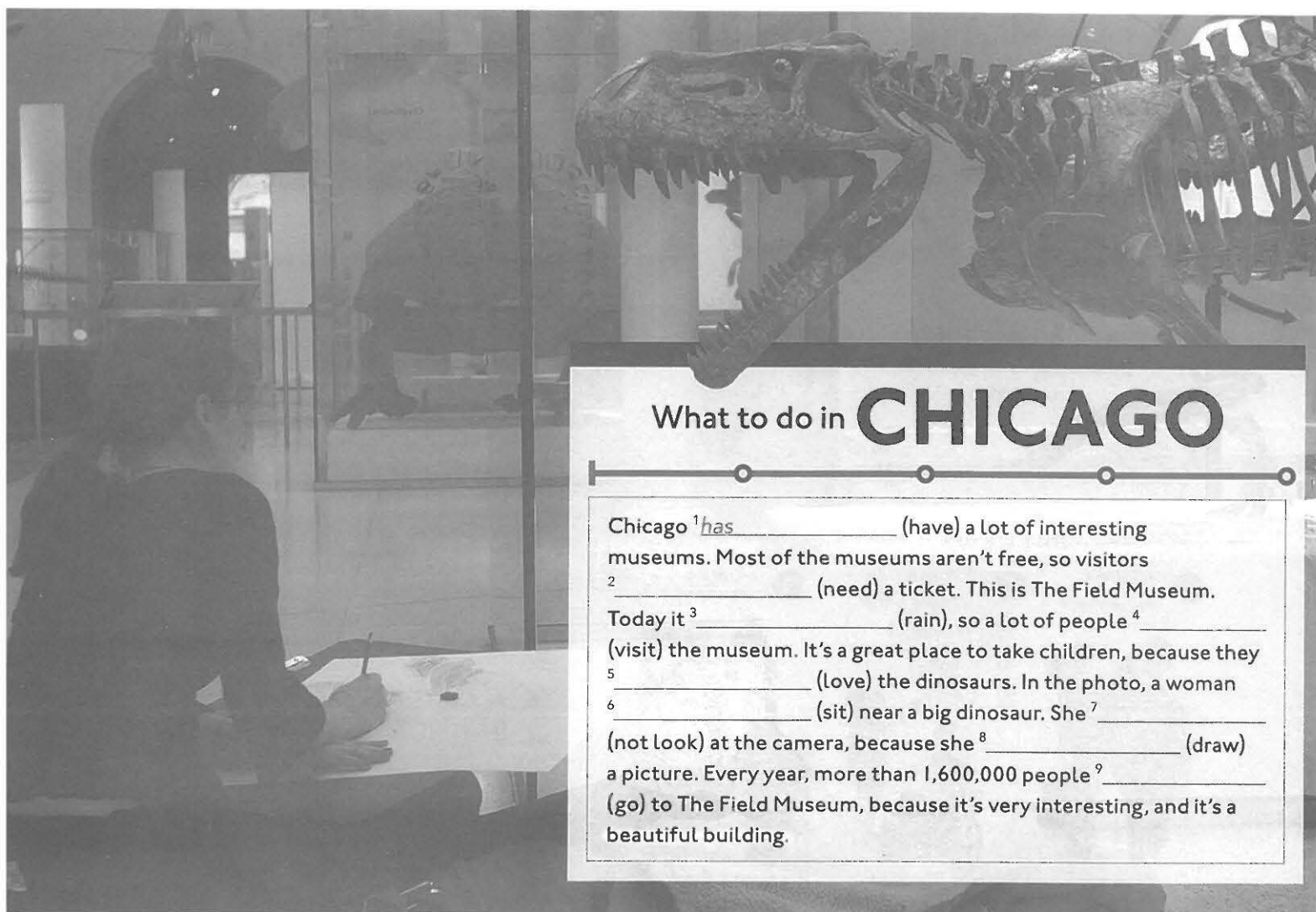
c Complete the article with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses. Use simple present or present continuous.

3 PRONUNCIATION places in Chicago

a Underline the stressed syllable in the **bold** words.

- 1 Wrigley Field
- 2 the Magnif|i|cent Mile
- 3 Bu|cking|ham Foun|tain
- 4 Tha|lia Hall
- 5 Sol|dier Field
- 6 Mil|len|ni|um Park
- 7 Ad|ler Plan|e|tar|i|um
- 8 Na|vy Pier
- 9 Hum|boldt Park
- 10 Sky|deck Chi|ca|go

b 5.4 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the words.



What to do in CHICAGO

Chicago ¹has _____ (have) a lot of interesting museums. Most of the museums aren't free, so visitors ²_____ (need) a ticket. This is The Field Museum. Today it ³_____ (rain), so a lot of people ⁴_____ (visit) the museum. It's a great place to take children, because they ⁵_____ (love) the dinosaurs. In the photo, a woman ⁶_____ (sit) near a big dinosaur. She ⁷_____ (not look) at the camera, because she ⁸_____ (draw) a picture. Every year, more than 1,600,000 people ⁹_____ (go) to The Field Museum, because it's very interesting, and it's a beautiful building.



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