

Present continuous

SUBJECT	VERB BE	VERB +ING
I	am	eating a piece of cake.
He	is	
She		
It		
You	are	
We		
They		

+ She **is** play**ing** the guitar.

? **Is** She play**ing** the guitar?

— She **isn't** play**ing** the guitar.

ENGLISH SPELLING RULES

-ING SPELLING

Verbs ending in Consonant + E

Remove the E from the end of the verb and add -ING.

- ✓ dance → dancing
- ✓ ride → riding
- ✓ write → writing



ride + ing → riding

↑
consonant

-ING SPELLING

Verbs ending in IE

Remove the IE from the end of the verb and add -ING.

- ✓ die → dying
- ✓ lie → lying
- ✓ tie → tying



lie + ying → lying

↑
IE

-ING SPELLING

Consonant + Vowel + Consonant

When a verb with one syllable ends in a C + V + C we double the final consonant.

- ✓ cut → cutting
- ✓ run → running
- ✓ stop → stopping



cut t + ing → cutting

↑ vowel
↑ consonant double the last consonant

-ING SPELLING

Consonant + Vowel + Letter L

- ✓ Double the final L
- ✓ Do NOT double the final L unless stressed
- ✓ equal → equalling → equaling
- ✓ travel → travelling → traveling
- ✓ control → controlling → controlling

travel l + ing → travelling

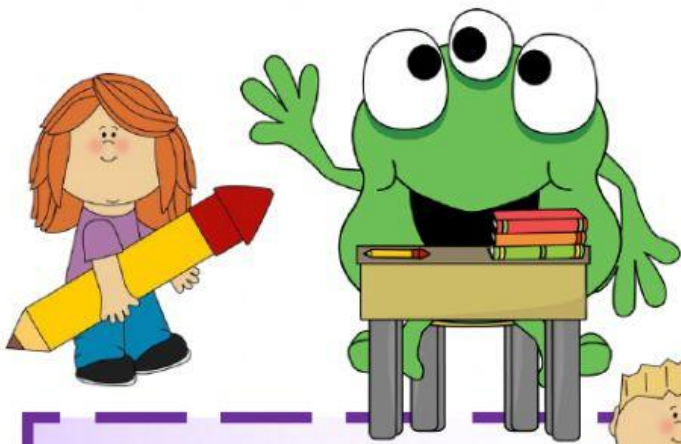
↑ vowel double the L
↑ consonant L
+ ing → traveling



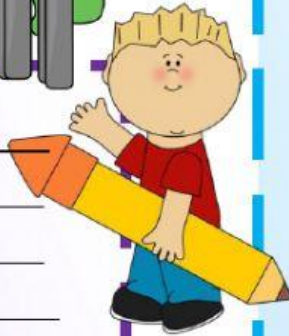
The monsters challenge you to a...



Present Continuous Spelling Contest



1. begin + ing = _____
2. hop + ing = _____
3. hope + ing = _____
4. jump + ing = _____
5. lie + ing = _____
6. look + ing = _____
7. plan + ing = _____
8. play + ing = _____
9. read + ing = _____
10. ride + ing = _____
11. run + ing = _____
12. save + ing = _____
13. sing + ing = _____
14. sit + ing = _____
15. sleep + ing = _____
16. speak + ing = _____
17. stay + ing = _____
18. swim + ing = _____
19. think + ing = _____
20. tie + ing = _____
21. write + ing = _____



1. believe + ing = _____
2. bounce + ing = _____
3. break + ing = _____
4. close + ing = _____
5. create + ing = _____
6. cry + ing = _____
7. clean + ing = _____
8. drive + ing = _____
9. get + ing = _____
10. jog + ing = _____
11. learn + ing = _____
12. make + ing = _____
13. die + ing = _____
14. rain + ing = _____
15. shop + ing = _____
16. smile + ing = _____
17. snow + ing = _____
18. stop + ing = _____
19. take + ing = _____
20. wave + ing = _____

