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## Present Continuous



Listen and repeat.



He **is** reading a newspaper. She **is** bringing the salad. The children **are** fighting. The cat **is** eating the chicken.

Affirmative		Negative	
Long form	Short form	Long form	Short form
I am working	I'm working	I am not working	I'm not working
You are working	You're working	You are not working	You aren't working
He is working	He's working	He is not working	He isn't working
She is working	She's working	She is not working	She isn't working
It is working	It's working	It is not working	It isn't working
We are working	We're working	We are not working	We aren't working
You are working	You're working	You are not working	You aren't working
They are working	They're working	They are not working	They aren't working

We use the present continuous for actions happening now.

### Spelling

work – working      open – opening      play – playing      walk – walking  
 BUT  
 dance – dancing      run – running      lie – lying

How do we form the present continuous? Choose.

A **subject + be (am, is, are) + verb -ing**

B **subject + be (am, is, are) + verb**

### 1 Add -ing to the verbs.

- |                                   |               |                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1 walk ..... <i>walking</i> ..... | 5 give .....  | 9 tell .....    |
| 2 read .....                      | 6 sit .....   | 10 go .....     |
| 3 swim .....                      | 7 open .....  | 11 dig .....    |
| 4 eat .....                       | 8 close ..... | 12 finish ..... |

**2 Circle the correct item.**

- 1 Jenny **(is) / are** helping her mum now.
- 2 You **am / are** visiting your grandma at the moment.
- 3 The girls **am / are** having breakfast at present.
- 4 My dad **is / are** sleeping on the sofa.
- 5 We **is / are** walking to school now.
- 6 I **am / are** doing my homework.
- 7 It **is / are** raining today.
- 8 Our mum **is / are** cooking dinner.
- 9 The birds **am / are** singing.
- 10 My friends **is / are** playing tennis at the moment.

**3 Write the sentences in the negative.**

- 1 I'm reading a book.  
*I'm not reading a book.....*
- 2 Bill is playing a computer game.  
.....
- 3 The boy is running.  
.....
- 4 Your dad is driving his car.  
.....
- 5 We're watching TV.  
.....
- 6 The boys are writing in their notebooks.  
.....
- 7 It's snowing now.  
.....
- 8 Helen is laughing at the moment.  
.....

**4 Look at the pictures. Match and write sentences.**

- Grandpa / sleep
- Fatimah / listen to music
- Anna and José / cook
- Sally / cry
- Jane and Nora / dance
- Father / dig in the garden



1 *Grandpa is sleeping.*



2 .....



3 .....



4 .....



5 .....



6 .....

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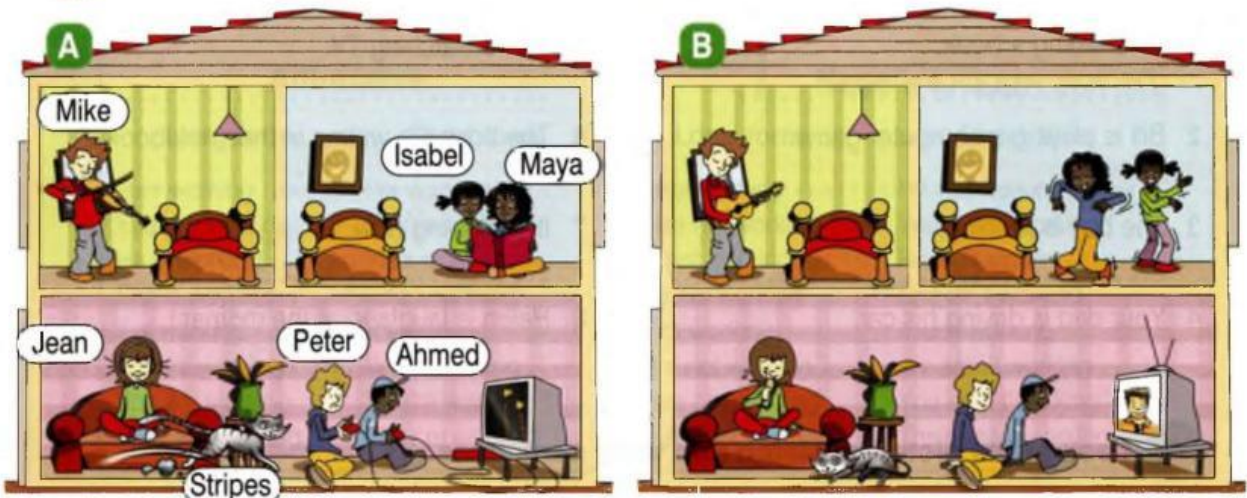
Present Continuous

5 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences as in the example:

- 1 playing / he's / violin / the  
*He's playing the violin.*.....
- 2 school / going / we're / to  
.....
- 3 aren't / they / the / playing / in / park  
.....

- 4 me / aren't / listening / you / to  
.....
- 5 playing / is / he / the / guitar  
.....
- 6 isn't / he / sleeping  
.....

6 Circle five differences. Write sentences.



In picture B ...

- 1 *Mike isn't playing the violin. He's playing the guitar.*.....
- 2 .....
- 3 .....
- 4 .....
- 5 .....

Interrogative	Questions	Short answers
Am I working? Are you working? Is he working? Is she working? Is it working? Are we working? Are you working? Are they working?	Are you working?  Is he/she/it working?  Are they working?	Yes, I am. No, I'm not.  Yes, he/she/it is. No, he/she/it isn't.  Yes, they are. No, they aren't.

7 Answer the questions.



1 Is he sleeping?

Yes, he is.



2 Is she driving?

.....



3 Is it running?

.....



4 Are you sending an email?

.....



5 Are they listening to music?

.....



6 Is he playing the piano?

.....

8 Write the questions and answers.



1 he / eat / a cake

Is he eating

a cake.....?

No, he isn't.

He's eating a burger.



2 they / play / with a kite

.....?

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3 he / drive / a car

.....?

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4 she / pick / flowers

.....?

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5 they / sing

.....?

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6 she / cook / chicken

.....?

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**Present Continuous**

We usually use the following time expressions with the present continuous: now, at the moment, at present, today. We also use the following imperatives with the present continuous: Look! Listen!

9 Fill in the correct form of the verbs. Circle the time expressions and imperatives.



It's winter but it 1) *..isn't snowing.* (not/snow) (today). The children 2) ..... (not/ play) in the house now. They're in the garden. At the moment, Ben 3) ..... (not/ride) his bike. He 4) ..... (throw) snowballs! The girls 5) ..... (make) a snowman. Look! The girls 6) ..... (not/wear) their scarves. Their scarves are on the snowman! Can you see Mum? Listen! She 7) ..... (sing)!



**Let's mime!**

Mime an action. Your friends try to guess what you're doing.

Student 1: What am I doing?  
 Student 2: Are you playing basketball?  
 Student 1: Yes, I am. Your turn now.



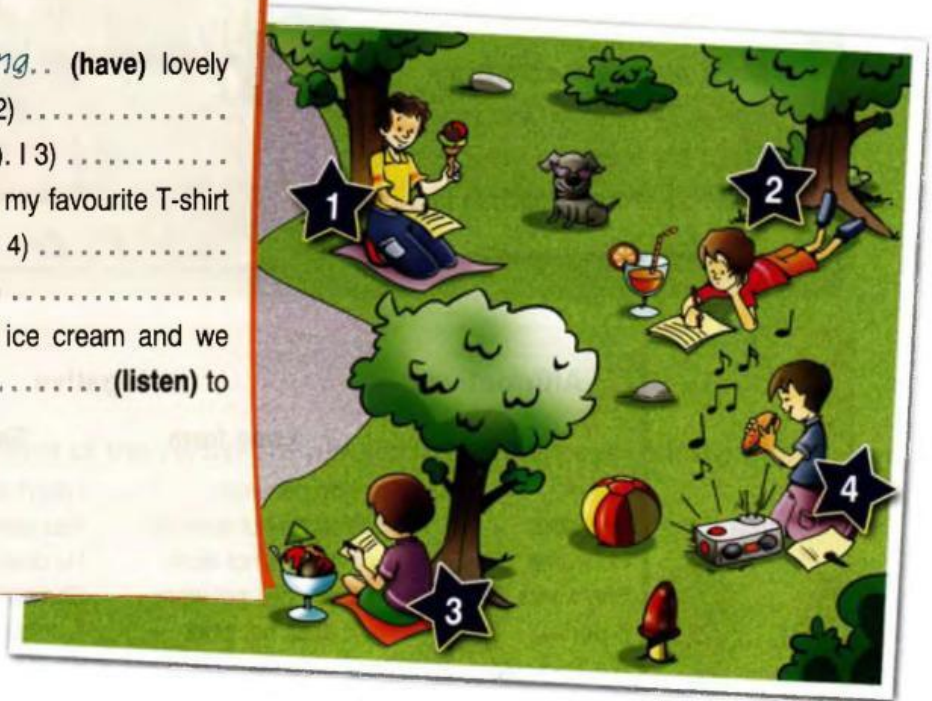
10 Fill in the correct form of the verbs. Then find Mark in the picture.

Dear Mum,

We 1) ..are having.. (have) lovely weather today. The sun 2) ..... (shine). I 3) ..... (wear) my favourite T-shirt and shorts. Ahmed and I 4) ..... (sit) under trees. We 5) ..... (eat) ice cream and we 6) ..... (listen) to music!

I love this place!

Love,  
Mark



Mark is number .....



Writing Activity

Choose another boy from the picture. Complete the letter.

I'm number .....

Dear .....

We .....

I .....  
.....  
.....

I love this place!