

LANGUAGE IN ACTION

Present continuous

1 ★ Circle the correct options.

- In my school, we *learning* / *'re learning* how to edit videos.
- Leni *is making* / *is makeing* clothes for the school production.
- Helena and Jez *are watch* / *are watching* their favourite programme.
- Who *is sitting* / *is siting* next to you in class today?
- My brother *isn't eating* / *not eating* much at the moment.
- Are you waiting* / *You waiting* for the news to begin?

2 ★ Complete the sentences with the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- She *'s chatting* (chat) to her friends online.
- He _____ (prepare) his history presentation.
- We _____ (wait) for the school bus.
- He _____ (make) a video about skateboarders.
- They _____ (not cry); they _____ (laugh).
- I _____ (not watch) anything; I _____ (work)!

3 ★★ Put the words in the correct order to make questions. Then match them with the answers in Exercise 2.

- those / crying / are / Why / boys / ?
Why are those boys crying? ☒ 5
- on the computer / Anita / doing / What / is / ?
_____ ☐
- you / there / all / Why / standing / are / ?
_____ ☐
- park / doing / the / Amir / What / is / in / ?
_____ ☐
- Why / late / working / is / tonight / Paul / ?
_____ ☐
- you / What / watching / are / on TV / ?
_____ ☐

4 ★★ Write questions and short answers with the present continuous.

- you / cycle / to school? (✓)
Are you cycling to school? Yes, I am.
- we / listen / to the instructor? (X)

- she / wait / for the next episode? (✓)

- they / enjoy / the programme? (X)

- you / send / a message to a friend? (X)

- I / help / you? (✓)

5 ★★ Complete the email with the correct present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

learn look forward to ~~not use~~ prepare
take use work write

Hi Uncle Dom,

Mum tells me you've got a new camera and that you want to give me your old one because you ¹ *aren't using* it. Great! I hear it's better than the one I ² _____ at the moment, so I ³ _____ this email to say thank you! ⁴ _____ you _____ lots of great photos now with your new camera?

I ⁵ _____ a presentation for my media studies class with a classmate this week. We ⁶ _____ a lot about taking photos in black and white – it's interesting! We ⁷ _____ on a series of winter photos. So I ⁸ _____ the new camera very much!

Thanks again and see you soon,
Jo

