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## Present continuous



What are we doing here?



It's a TV show about pets, Corky. We're in it.

1

TV? Oh, no! I'm not wearing my cool jacket!



2



Quiet, please! We're filming!

3



Welcome to Paul's Pet Talk! This is Zoe and her pet parrot, Corky.

4

He's flying away! Where's he going?



5

OK. I'm ready now!



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### Statements

Positive	I	am ('m)	wearing sunglasses. going to the shops.
	We / You / They He / She / It	are ('re) is ('s)	
Negative	I	am not ('m not)	
	We / You / They He / She / It	are not (aren't) is not (isn't)	

- We use the present continuous for something that is happening now or today.

### Questions

Am	I	wearing sunglasses?
Are	we / you / they	going to the shops?
Is	he / she / it	listening to music?

### Short answers

Yes, I am. No, I'm not.
Yes, you / we / they are. No, you / we / they're not.
Yes, he / she / it is. No, he / she / it isn't.

1 Add *-ing* and write under the correct heading.

~~play~~ ~~ride~~ ~~run~~ leave go write buy swim laugh sit close

<i>-ing</i>	<del><i>-ing</i></del>	(double consonant) <i>-ing</i>
<i>playing</i>	<i>riding</i>	<i>running</i>
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▶ Look at the spelling rules on page 109.

2 Write *'m, is / 's or are / 're*.

- Look! Corky.....<sup>'s</sup> wearing his cool jacket!
- They..... doing a TV show about pets.
- Dave and Brian ..... watching the pet show on TV.
- Come with us. We ..... going to the cinema.
- Hurry up! The bus ..... leaving!
- You ..... walking very fast. Wait for me!
- Please be quiet. Dad ..... sleeping.
- I ..... writing a story for the school magazine.

3 Choose and write negative sentences.

do eat ride ~~wear~~ read sleep swim listen

- Brian ..... *isn't wearing* his glasses today.
- The boys ..... their lunch. They aren't hungry.
- You ..... your homework ! You're watching TV!
- She ..... to music. She's writing an e-mail.
- He ..... his bike. He's skating.
- The cat ..... . It's playing in the garden.
- I ..... your magazine. This is my magazine.
- They ..... in the sea. It's very cold.

4 Write questions. Then match them to the answers.

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|--|--------------------|
| 1 (Tom / study) ..... <i>Is Tom studying</i> ..... for the History test? | a Yes, I am.       |
| 2 (Mum / work) ..... today?  | b Yes, he is.      |
| 3 (you / write) ..... a letter?  | c No, they aren't. |
| 4 (they / laugh) .....?  | d Yes, you are.    |
| 5 (it / rain) The sky is grey. ....?                                     | e No, she isn't.   |
| 6 (I / sit) ..... on your chair?   | f Yes, it is.      |

5 Look. Write questions and answers.



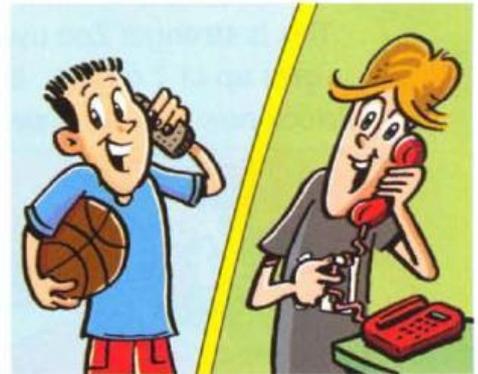
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|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 the girl / take / a photo?     | <u>Is the girl taking a photo?</u> | <u>Yes, she is.</u> |
| 2 the dogs / jump?               | .....                              | .....               |
| 3 Brian / eat / a banana?        | .....                              | .....               |
| 4 Zoe / laugh?                   | .....                              | .....               |
| 5 the clowns / wear / red shoes? | .....                              | .....               |
| 6 the baby / look at the clowns? | .....                              | .....               |
| 7 the mice / sleep?              | .....                              | .....               |
| 8 the cat / run?                 | .....                              | .....               |

6 Look at the picture in Exercise 5. Correct the sentences.

- The girl is talking to Dave.  
The girl isn't talking to Dave. She's taking a photo.
- The clowns are wearing black T-shirts.  
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- Brian is drinking lemonade.  
.....
- The acrobats are jumping.  
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- The baby is sleeping.  
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- Zoe is crying.  
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- Dave is reading a comic.  
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- The dogs are running.  
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7 Read and complete the dialogue.

Pete: Hi Dave! It's Pete.  
 Dave: Hi Peter!  
 Pete: What 1 *are you doing?* (you / do?)  
 Dave: 2..... TV. (I / watch)  
 Pete: What 3..... (Zoe / do?)  
 Dave: 4..... a book. (she / read)  
 Pete: 5..... basketball in the park.  
 (Adam and I / play)  
 Dave: Great! 6....., too! (I / come)



8 Choose and complete.

listen visit dance study do ~~watch~~ write not talk



Dear Max  
 It's four o'clock. I'm bored! Zoe's here but she 1 *'s watching*  
 a show on TV. She 2..... to me. Corky  
 3..... to music and he  
 4..... (funny bird!)  
 Dave isn't here. He 5..... his granny. Peter  
 and Jenny 6..... for a test and I  
 7..... an e-mail to you!  
 What 8..... you ..... today?  
 Cheers  
 Brian

9 Write.

Write an e-mail to a friend. Write about what you, your family and friends are doing (or not doing) now. Use Brian's e-mail in Exercise 8 as a model.

Dear .....

It's .....

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Cheers

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