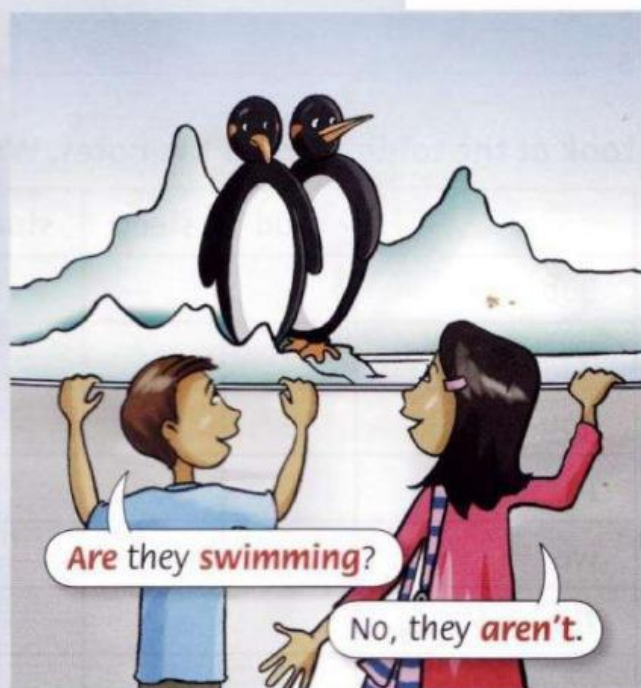
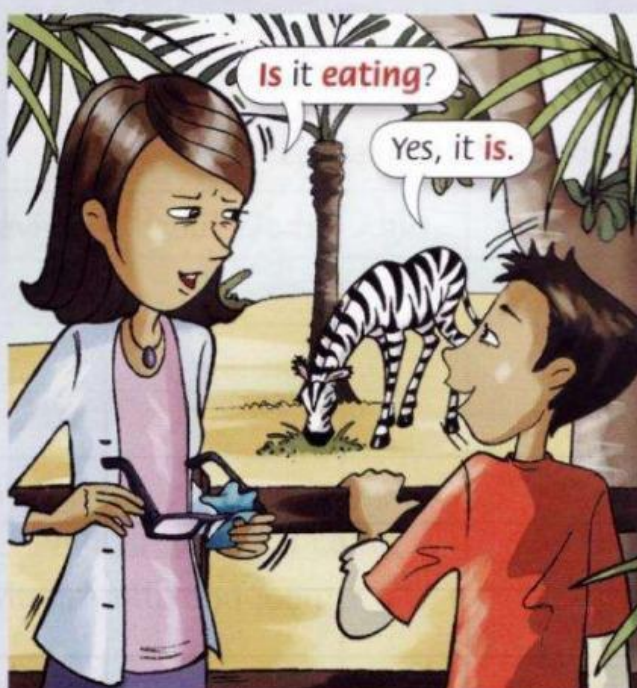


5 A visit to the zoo

The present continuous (2)

The present continuous: questions and short answers



Questions

Am I playing?
Are you playing?
Is he playing?
Is she playing?
Is it playing?
Are we playing?
Are you playing?
Are they playing?

Short answers

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

Note that we don't repeat the **-ing** verb in short answers to questions in the present continuous.

Are you watching TV? No, we **aren't**.

When we give a short answer, we always use a pronoun.

Is John playing in the garden? Yes, he **is**.

Are Mum and Dad playing chess? No, they **aren't**.

1 Write questions, using the present continuous.

1 he / light / a fire?

Is he lighting a fire?

2 Jane / do / her homework?

3 we / have / dinner / now?

4 You and Tom / play / a computer game?

5 you / get dressed?

2 Write questions for these answers.

1



Is the lion sleeping?

Yes, the lion's sleeping.

2



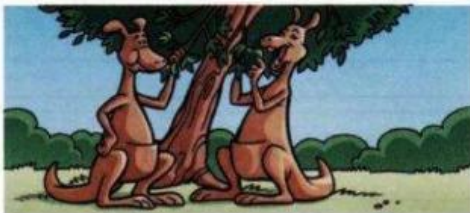
No, the monkey isn't flying. It's climbing.

3



Yes, the parrots are flying.

4



No, the kangaroos aren't sleeping. They're eating.

5



No, the zebra isn't eating. It's running.

2 Look at the pictures. Write short answers.

1



Is Teresa holding a comb?

Yes, she is.

2



Are they studying?

3



Is Frank carrying a big bag?

4



Are they playing games?

5



Is Mr Rogers reading a newspaper?

6



Is Grandpa dancing?

3 Write questions and short answers in the present continuous.

1 I / learn / English / ? / ✓

Am I learning English? Yes, I am.

2 Amy / talk / ? / ✗

3 my Mum and Dad / sit / on the beach / ? / ✗

4 we / have / dinner / ? / ✓

5 my Grandma and Grandpa / visit / the zoo / ? / ✓

What are the animals doing? Write questions and short answers.



1 chimpanzee / eat / ?

Is the chimpanzee eating?

Yes, it is.

3 penguins / swim / ?

2 snakes / sleep / ?

4 mouse / eat / ?

5 crocodile / sleep / ?

6 zebra / drink / ?

7 spider / climb / ?

8 lizard / dive / ?