

12 At the wedding

The present continuous (2)

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Grandma's next to Grandpa. They're **sleeping**. Dad's next to the table. He's **eating**.



We use the present continuous to talk about things that are happening now. We make the present continuous with a form of **be** and the base form of the verb with **ing** added.

Short form

I'm
you're
he's / she's / it's
we're
you're
they're

Long form

I am
you are
he is / she is / it is
we are
you are
they are

1 Circle A or B.

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|---|--|----------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 1 | | She's taking photos. | A | ☒ B |
| 2 | | I'm wearing a tie. | A | B |
| 3 | | She's eating. | A | B |
| 4 | | They're eating. | A | B |
| 5 | | She's drinking. | A | B |
| 6 | | I'm wearing a hat. | A | B |
| 7 | | She's drinking. | A | B |
| 8 | | They're talking. | A | B |



2 Complete Jamie's email. Write the correct short form of **be**.



Dear Martin

We 're getting ready for the wedding.

I _____ listening to music. Alison is in her bedroom. She _____ brushing her hair. Grandpa and Grandma are in the living room. They _____ talking. Mum is in the kitchen. She _____ making a cake. Dad is outside. He _____ washing the car.

Jamie

3 Write the correct form of the verb in brackets.



1 He 's eating _____. (eat)

2 She _____. (drink)

3 She _____. (sing)

4 He _____ photos. (take)

5 They _____. (talk)

6 We _____ to the band. (listen)

4 Write the words in the correct order.

1 making We're a cake

2 washing the car They're

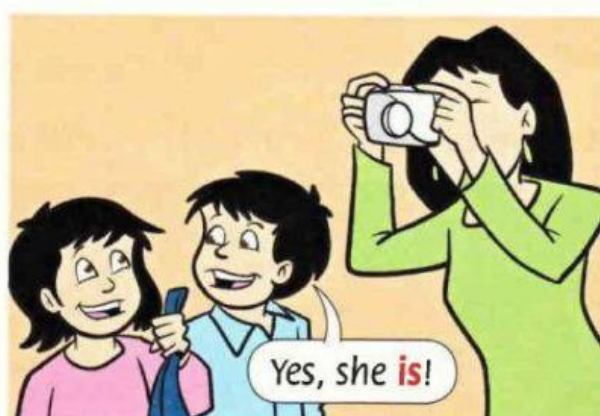
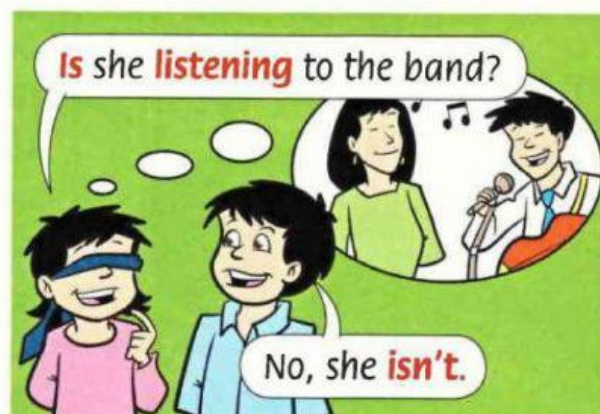
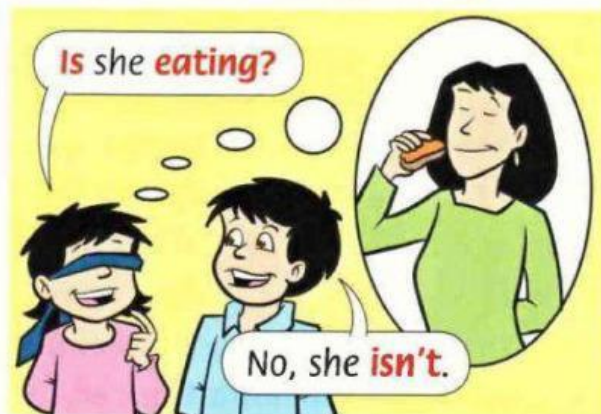
3 music playing They're

4 writing invitations We're

5 listening to the band He's

6 cake eating She's

Present continuous questions



In present continuous questions the word order changes as usual.

Question

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

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 .

aren't = are not
isn't = is not

5 Match.

- Are Grandma and Grandpa sleeping?
- Is Dad listening to the band?
- Are Alison and Jamie playing?
- Is Alison eating?

No, she isn't.
No, they aren't.
Yes, they are.
Yes, he is.

6 Write questions and answers. Use the verbs in brackets.



1 Is he making (make) a cake?
Yes, he is.



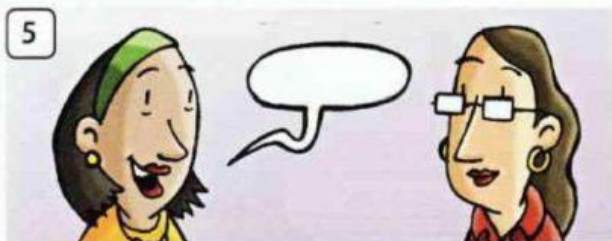
2 _____ he _____ (listen) to music?
_____, _____.



3 _____ they _____ (sleep)?
_____, _____.



4 _____ they _____ (talk)?
_____, _____.



5 _____ she _____ (drink)?
_____, _____.



6 _____ they _____ (play) music?
_____, _____.

7 Write questions and answers. Use the verbs in the box.

play sleep make write do



1 What are they doing?
They're playing.



2 What _____?
_____ a cake.



3 Is _____?
Yes, _____.



4 Is _____ an email?
Yes, _____.