

LESSON 2: PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Exercise 1: Read and choose

1. We **am learning / are learning** English at the moment.
2. Nina **is playing / isn't playing** badminton at present. Her wrist is broken.
3. I **am haveing / am having** problems with my bicycle today.
4. Are you **listening / listennig** to music? Yes, I am.
5. Why **is / am** it raining so hard?
6. Joss **is committing / is committing** to 3 days at the gym per week.
7. Nina and Vicky **are runing / are running** in the park right now.
8. My family **is eatting / is eating** out tonight.
9. Watch out. The tree **is falling / are falling**.
10. I **am not apologising / amn't apologising** to him. He is so wrong.

Exercise 2: Put the verbs in the **present continuous** form and write the correct usages.

a. For actions at the time of speaking b. For future plans and arrangements c. For change	d. For temporary events/states e. For something happens again and again
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Sentences	Usages
1. Hazel _____ (take) a shower at the moment.	1 _____
2. We _____ (fly) to Vienna on Sunday 10th in the morning.	2 _____
3. According to the doctor, Maria _____ (get) better.	3 _____
4. I _____ (leave) work now. I'll be home in an hour.	4 _____
5. His parents _____ (visit) him from 23 rd to 25 th next week.	5 _____
6. George _____ (always complain) about the uniform.	6 _____
7. She _____ (work) a lot in Paris now because of the new project.	7 _____
8. My parents _____ (walk) in the park at the moment.	8 _____
9. Summers _____ (become) warmer and warmer nowadays.	9 _____
10. I _____ (stay) at the Hotel Monopol until I find an apartment.	10 _____
11. You _____ (always / ask) me silly questions.	11 _____
12. She _____ (buy) a new laptop on Thursday.	12 _____
13. I don't understand. What _____ (you / do)?	13 _____
14. I _____ (read) an interesting novel at present.	14 _____
15. He _____ (see) his dentist tomorrow.	15 _____

Exercise 3: Put the verbs in the **present continuous form.**

1. Look! Mary _____ (bring) her little sister to school. How sweet!
2. Mom can't help you right now because she _____ (prepare) dinner.
3. What _____ (the ducks / do)? – I think they _____ (fight).
4. I _____ (save) for a new car which I want to buy as soon as possible.
5. They _____ (build) a new stand at the football ground.
6. _____ (Tom / do) anything right now? – Yes. He _____ (swim) in the pool.
7. A: What time's dinner? B: I _____ (cook) now so it'll be ready in about an hour.
8. She _____ (press) the button but nothing _____ (happen).
9. We _____ (move) to Cambridge in July.
10. Sarah _____ (not take) Rory to football training later. She hasn't got the car tonight.

Exercise 4: Complete the dialogue with the suitable verbs below. Use **present continuous.**

get **do** **try** **cook** **listen** **make** **sleep** **play**

Jack: Hi, how are you?

Emily: Hi, I'm fine. What (1) _____ you _____ right now?

Jack: I (2) _____ to do my homework, but it's really noisy in my house.

Emily: Oh, why?

Jack: Dad (3) _____ to the radio and Mum (4) _____ in the kitchen.

Emily: What about your sister? (5) _____ she _____ any noise?

Jack: Yes, she (6) _____ some music in her room.

Emily: That sounds really bad. It's so quiet in my house.

Jack: You're lucky.

Emily: Yes. My parents (7) _____ ready to go out tonight and my baby brother (8) _____

Jack: That's great! Can I come over to your house to do my homework in peace?

Exercise 5: Stative verbs or Action verbs. Read and choose.

1. That can't be right. I _____ you!
A. don't believe B. 'm not believing
2. My holiday's next week. I _____ myself on the beach right now!
A. imagine B. 'm imagining
3. I've changed the design slightly. What _____?
A. is B. are

Exercise 6: Read and choose the correct answer.

Exercise 7: Find the mistakes and correct.

Sentence	Mistake	Correction
1. Listen! You are makeing a mistake now.		
2. I'm siting on a park bench. It's so dirty.		
3. Are you water the flowers in the garden at present?		
4. What is Mike and Mark drawing?		
5. I lost my keys again. I'm alway losing my keys.		
6. They are spending a few days in Stockholm last month.		