

Present Continuous – but when?

The present continuous can be used to describe events in progress right now, temporary situations, changing situations and plans for the future.

Mark the following sentences **N**, **T**, **C** or **F** if they are happening now, are temporary situations, are changing situations or are future plans.

Example:

Mark and Paula are playing tennis at 4pm this week.

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1. I'm reading this amazing book about sharks at the moment.
2. Are you working tonight? Can you get a pizza on the way home?
3. I'm getting up early this week because the trains are delayed.
4. I'm really struggling for money right now, can you lend me £50?
5. Parents are getting frustrated with the current situation in the schools.
6. So let's put the cakes in the oven and then while they're cooking we can wash up.
7. I'm getting a headache. This exercise is annoying.
8. Okay so we're getting up at 5am to catch the train. Is that clear?
9. What are you doing after lunch?
10. -Where's Danny? -He's not here, I'm covering his shift tonight.
11. You aren't listening to me. It's not Tuesday, it's THURSDAY
12. It's becoming clear to everyone that the new law doesn't make sense.