

UNIT 5.3 Present continuous

1 Complete with the *present continuous*.

- 1 Be quiet! The baby is sleeping. (sleep)
- 2 I a cake for John's birthday. (make)
- 3 Ouch! You on my foot! (stand)
- 4 Leslie a report for TeenLink! (write)
- 5 Stop shouting! I my homework! (do)
- 6 Dad in his armchair. (sit)
- 7 Hurry up! We for you! (wait)
- 8 They in the pool. (swim)
- 9 What a noise! Kikki the violin again! (play)
- 10 They are in the garage. They the car. (wash)

Tip

When we use the present continuous, we must remember to use the verb **to be** (**am, is, are**) as well as the main verb with the suffix **-ing**.
The baby is sleeping.
~~The baby sleeping. X~~

2 Look at the picture and correct the sentences.



- 1 Kikki is talking to Susan.
- 2 Mrs Green is opening the door.
- 3 Nick and Jim are carrying a bag.
- 4 Susan is standing on a desk.
- 5 Ian is drinking milk.
- 6 Becky is washing her hair.
- 7 Simon and Paul are painting.
- 8 Anna is sleeping.

Kikki isn't talking to Susan. She's talking to Alice.

3 Look at exercise 3. Ask and answer.

- 1 Becky / wash her brushes
- 2 Kikki / sing
- 3 Nick and Jim / carry a box
- 4 Susan / stand on a table
- 5 Mrs Green / open the window
- 6 Simon and Paul / eat
- 7 Ian / paint a picture
- 8 Simon and Paul / drink water

Is Becky washing her brushes? Yes, she is.

4 Form questions.

- 1 what / you / read
- 2 where / we / go
- 3 what / she / do
- 4 why / he / look at me
- 5 what / you / eat
- 6 why / he / shout
- 7 where / this bus / go
- 8 why / they / run

What are you reading?

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Tip

After question words and phrases (such as **why**, **when**, etc), we use the question form. We put **am**, **is** or **are** BEFORE the subject (such as **he**, **my parents**, **the dog**, **Tony**, etc).

5 Read and complete.

Dear diary,
 I'm at school and I (1) **'m having** (have) a great time!
 We (2) (have) an Art lesson!
 Nicola (3) (stand) on a stool
 and Jenny (4) (sit) on a chair.
 Alice (5) (paint) their picture.
 Nick and Jim (6) (not paint)!
 They (7) (wash) their brushes!
 Our teacher, Mr Bower, (8) (help) Mark
 with his painting.
 I (9) (not do) anything!
 I (10) (just look) at them! I'm an artist!
 Bye for now
 Kikki

Writing practice

6 Write.

Imagine you are in the schoolyard, during the break right now. Write down what you can see. Here are some verbs you can use. You can add more!

play run climb eat drink walk talk read buy listen sing

Dear diary,

I am at school and

We

My friend

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