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RULES FOR THE 3RD PERSON SINGULAR (HE / SHE / IT)

In general + s	Verbs ending in conson. + y y + ies	Verbs ending in -o, sh, tch, x, ss + es
work → works	stud <u>y</u> → studi <u>es</u>	go → go <u>es</u>
eat → eat <u>s</u>	cri <u>y</u> → cri <u>es</u>	wash → wash <u>es</u>
play → play <u>s</u>	tri <u>y</u> → tri <u>es</u>	watch → watch <u>es</u>
swim → swim <u>s</u>	sp <u>y</u> → sp <u>ies</u>	mix → mix <u>es</u>
write → writ <u>e</u> s	fl <u>y</u> → fl <u>ies</u>	kiss → kiss <u>es</u>

PRESENT CONTINUOUS

POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	INTERROGATIVE
I am eating You are eating She is eating He is eating It is eating We are eating You are eating They are eating	I am not eating You are not eating She is not eating He is not eating It is not eating We are not eating You are not eating They are not eating	Am I eating? Are you eating? Is she eating? Is he eating? Is it eating? Are we eating? Are you eating? Are they eating?

SPELLING RULES

No Change

Most verbs ending in "y" add **ING**

buy + ing = buying
 enjoy + ing = enjoying
 play + ing = playing
 say + ing = saying
 try + ing = trying
 talk + ing = talking
 sing + ing = singing

Most verbs add "ing"

eat - eating
 speak - speaking
 cook - cooking
 start - starting
 do - doing
 stay - staying
 fix - fixing

Change

Verbs ending in "e" drop the final "e"

hope - hoping
 ride - riding
 make - making
 write - writing
 believe - believing
 drive - driving
 dance - dancing

Verbs ending with -ie

Change the -ie to -y and add -ING

die - dying
 tie - tying
 lie - lying

Double letters

Verbs ending with one vowel and one consonant

For one syllable verbs

double the consonant and add -ING

jog - jogging
 sit - sitting
 run - running
 stop - stopping
 swim - swimming

If the 2nd syllable is stressed, double the consonant and add ING

admit - admitting
 prefer - preferring
 begin - beginning

