

## LANGUAGE REFERENCE

## UNIT

### Present continuous

Affirmative	Negative
I am ('m) watching TV.	I am ('m) not watching TV.
You / We / They are ('re) watching TV.	You / We / They are not (aren't) watching TV.
He / She / It is ('s) watching TV.	He / She / It is not (isn't) watching TV.

- We use the present continuous to talk about actions in progress at the time of speaking.  
*You are learning about the present continuous.*
- For the affirmative, we use **subject + be + verb + -ing**.  
*Tom's watching a reality show. We're reading a blog.*
- For the negative, we put **not** after **be**.  
*She is not (isn't) downloading songs.*

Question	Short answer
Am I watching TV?	Yes, I am. No, I'm not.
Are you / we / they watching TV?	Yes, you / we / they are. No, you / we / they aren't.
Is he / she / it watching TV?	Yes, he / she / it is. No, he / she / it isn't.

- To form questions, we use **be + subject + verb + -ing**.  
*Are you watching cartoons?*
- We don't use the **verb + -ing** in short answers.  
*Yes, I am. (NOT Yes, I am listening.)*
- We form information questions with the **Wh-** question word before **be**.  
*Who are you reading about?  
What are you watching on TV?*
- With most verbs, we add **-ing** to the infinitive.  
*speak – speaking read – reading drink – drinking*
- For verbs ending in **-e**, we remove the **-e** and add **-ing**.  
*write – writing have – having give – giving*
- For verbs ending in a vowel and a consonant, we double the final consonant and add **-ing**.  
*stop – stopping shop – shopping plan – planning*

### Present simple and present continuous

- We use the present simple to talk about facts, habits and routines.  
*Water freezes at 0 °C.*  
*I listen to music when I walk to school.*  
*She always goes shopping on Fridays.*
- We use the present continuous to talk about actions in progress at the time of speaking.  
*I watch a lot of TV. At the moment, I'm watching a great on-demand series.*  
*He usually works in an office, but he's working at home today.*
- Some verbs are not usually used in the continuous form: **hate, know, like, love, need, prefer, remember, think, understand, want**.  
*I like this programme. (NOT I'm liking this programme.)*
- We use expressions like **at the moment** and **right now** with the present continuous.  
*He's doing his homework at the moment.*
- We use adverbs of frequency with the present simple.  
*He always does his homework after dinner.*

### Adverbs of manner

- We use adverbs of manner to say how we do something.  
*Carl can run very fast.*
- Adverbs of manner come after the verb or the object if the sentence contains one.  
*They don't speak clearly.  
Lia can draw animals well.*
- To form regular adverbs we add **-ly** to the adjective.  
*nice – nicely loud – loudly*
- For adjectives ending in **-y**, we remove the **-y** and add **-ily**.  
*happy – happily noisy – noisily*
- For adjectives ending in **-l**, we add **-ly**.  
*careful – carefully beautiful – beautifully*
- Some adverbs of manner are irregular.  
*good – well hard – hard late – late*

# LANGUAGE PRACTICE

# UNIT 1

## Present continuous

1 Complete the table with the *-ing* form of the verbs in the box.

do run take travel walk write

add <i>-ing</i>	remove the <i>-e</i> and add <i>-ing</i>	double the consonant and add <i>-ing</i>
1 doing	3	5
2	4	6

2 Complete the sentences with the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 My best friends are reading in the library. (read)
- 2 I am looking for a new camera. (look)
- 3 My mum is sitting in the café. (sit)
- 4 She isn't drinking coffee. (not drink)
- 5 My dad is making a chocolate cake in the kitchen. (make)
- 6 Rosie and Dan are not chatting online. (not chat)

3 Write present continuous questions and short answers about the people in the table.

	watch a film	study grammar
Jack	(1) X	(4) ✓
Rory and Holly	(2) ✓	(5) X
Alba	(3) X	(6) ✓

1 Is Jack watching a film?

No, he isn't.

- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6

## Present simple and present continuous

4 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences in the present simple or present continuous.

- 1 isn't / She / documentary / watching / the  
She isn't watching the documentary.
- 2 makes / My mum / always / for the show / the costumes
- 3 English / We / studying / aren't / today
- 4 to / the / best friend / to go / doesn't / want / cinema / My
- 5 weekend / I / to / friends / at / the / chat / my / online
- 6 moment / I'm / helping / my / mum / the / at

5 Complete the sentences with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

listen make not do not talk visit watch

- 1 We are watching a comedy show right now.
- 2 I am not doing my homework at the moment.
- 3 They often visit their aunt on Saturdays.
- 4 My grandma usually listens to the news on the radio in the morning.
- 5 My mum sometimes makes the food we see on cookery shows.
- 6 Jack is talking on his mobile phone to his best friend at the moment.

## Adverbs of manner

6 Complete the text with the adverb form of the adjectives in brackets.

My brother doesn't make friends <sup>1</sup> easily (easy). He's only got two really good friends. They usually play computer games at home. I don't play with them because they do everything <sup>2</sup> quickly (quick), and I play <sup>3</sup> slowly (slow) and <sup>4</sup> badly (bad)!

My brother loves drawing and he can draw <sup>5</sup> well (good). Sometimes he teaches me how to draw. I think he's a good teacher because he explains everything <sup>6</sup> carefully (careful).