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PRESENT CONTINUOUS

We use the present continuous to talk about:

A something happening now.

Wait a minute. I'm texting my friend.

I'm not doing anything at the moment.

What are you doing right now?

B temporary situations.

Mr Evans is teaching computer class because Miss Hill is on holiday.

Tom isn't playing football today because he's ill.

What book are you reading in your English class at the moment?

C something happening in a picture/photo.

In this photo, I'm sitting next to my best friend.

- We use the: ـِ **+ (am, is, are) + main verb +-ing.**
- We often use the short form be: I'm, you're, he's, she's, etc.
- We often use the present continuous with these time phrases: **right now, at the moment, now, today.**
- For most verbs, we just add -ing. I
  - Look: I'm looking out of the window.
  - Play: They're playing football.
- Remember the spelling rules for verbs +-ing:

most verbs	add *-ing*	*catch – catching*
verbs ending in *-e*	remove the final *-e*	*take – taking*
verbs ending in *-ie*	change *-ie* to *-y*	*lie – lying*
verbs ending in one vowel and one consonant	double the final consonant*	*hit – hitting*

*Exceptions include *open – opening, happen – happening, listen – listening* where the stress is on the first syllable.

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positive

I	**'m**	talk**ing**.
He/She/It	**'s**	
We/You/They	**'re**	

negative

I	**'m** not	talk**ing**.
He/She/It	**isn't**	
We/You/They	**aren't**	

questions

Am	I	talk**ing**?
Is	he/she/it	
Are	we/you/they	

short answers

Yes,	I	**am**.
	he/she/it	**is**.
	we/you/they	**are**.
No,	I	**'m not**.
	he/she/it	**isn't**.
	we/you/they	**aren't**.

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talking about now

present continuous (*be* + *-ing* verb) for:

A something happening now.

- **+** They**'re making** a video and trying different webcams.
- **–** One group of teenagers **isn't doing** any of those things.
- **?** What **are** you **doing**?

B temporary situations.

- **+** At the moment, Tubers UK **are teaching** teenagers only in Exeter.
- **–** My sister**'s studying** computer science at university.
- **?** So what **are** they **learning** at Tubers UK?

Remember the spelling changes!

get – get**ting** take – tak**ing**

INSTRUCTIONS: Read the grammar box and match the sentences (1-5) with the rules (A or B).

1 I can't talk. I'm eating a sandwich.

2 We're making a video diary for school this month.

3 Mr Lee is teaching us because Mrs Birch is ill.

4 You're not listening to me!

5 Ssh! They're sleeping. Don't wake them up.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete the table with the -ing form of the verbs.

get	1	make	5 .....
write	2	win	6 .....
have	3	teach	7 .....
sit	4	study	8 .....

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INSTRUCTIONS: Complete the short answers.

1 A: Are you doing your homework?

B: No. I _____. I'm just surfing the internet.

2 A: Is Ewan playing on the computer?

B: Yes, he _____. He's playing with his friends.

3 A: Are you texting your friend?

B: Yes, I _____. He's late!

4 A: Are we going the right way?

B: No, we _____. Look at the map on my phone.

5 A: Is Amy using my headphones again?

B: No, she _____. She's using my headphones.

6 A: Are they chatting online?

B: Yes, they _____ . They're talking to their friends in the USA.

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

1. At the moment we _____ (learn) how to make an app.
2. The children _____ (not listen) to the teacher.
3. Anna _____ (show) her friends her favourite vlog.
4. We _____ (build) a robot. Do you want to help?
5. I _____ (not feel) very well. Can you text my mum?
6. My sister _____ (use) her new speakers. Her music is really loud!

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INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

1. My mobile phone **isn't / aren't** working.
2. Penny **is / are** waiting for us.
3. My cousins **isn't / aren't** watching a film.
4. Stefan **'s / are** feeling ill.
5. The children **is / are** playing video games.
6. It **aren't / isn't** raining now.
7. We **isn't / aren't** watching TV right now.
8. Amy and her friend **is / are** doing a project for school
9. Lisa and Mike **is / are** playing a board game.
10. Lee **isn't / aren't** having a good time.

INSTRUCTIONS: Put the words in the correct order to make sentences

1 some photos / are / Kirsty and Tim / looking at

2 watching a film / am / with my friends / I

3 writing / Eddie / in his school diary / is

4 a science experiment / are / the students / doing

5 George / is / his homework / doing

6 about space / we / reading / are / on the computer

7 and I / project / are / doing / together / Emma

8 waiting / am / for my friend James /I

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