

Grammar Station



Present Continuous: Positive & Negative

- ★ We use the **present continuous** to talk about actions happening now.
- ★ We use **the verb be + verb-ing** for the present continuous.

Positive			Negative		
I	am		I	am not (= 'm not)	
He/She/It	is	reading.	He/She/It	is not (= isn't)	reading.
We/You/They	are		We/You/They	are not (= aren't)	

- ★ We add **-ing** to the base verbs to make the present continuous.

		Base Verb	Present Continuous
most verbs	+ -ing	eat walk	eat ing walk ing
verbs ending in -e	e + -ing	make smile	make ing smile ing
verbs ending in a vowel + a consonant	double consonant + -ing	run sit	run ning sit ting



Joan and Tina are **walking** to school.
They **aren't running**.



Bob is **writing** a letter.
He **isn't sleeping**.

★ **Cross out the wrong -ing forms.**

making

joging

going

danceing

running

writeing

stopping

eating

siting

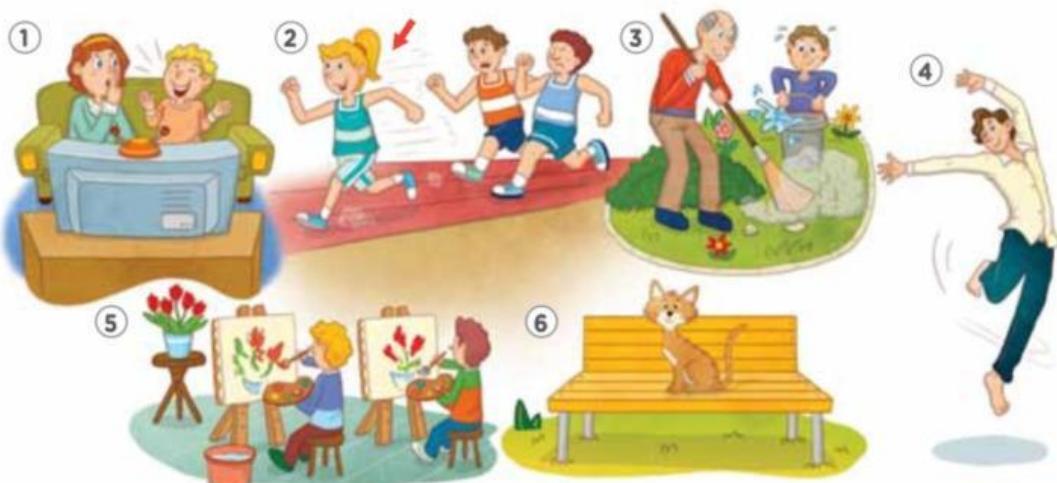
A Write the *-ing* forms of the verbs.

1. have	having	2. clean	
3. play		4. plan	
5. sit		6. study	
7. swim		8. smile	
9. laugh		10. chase	

B Circle the correct words.

1. I am (wash / <u>washing</u>) the dishes.	2. Derek is (make / making) a kite.
3. Lisa and I (am / are) studying.	4. She (not is / is not) crying.
5. Dave is (running / runing).	6. We are (having / haveing) lunch.
7. Sonya is (swimming / swiming).	8. I'm (do / doing) my homework.

C Complete the sentences in the present continuous.



1. I <u>am watching</u> a movie. Be quiet! (watch)	2. Molly _____ too fast. (run)
3. We _____ in the garden. (work)	4. The man _____. (dance)
5. They _____ pictures. (paint)	6. A cat _____ on a bench. (sit)

Practice

A Complete the sentences in the present continuous.

1. sing The birds are singing on the branch.
2. not / hit Sean and David aren't hitting the balls.
3. write The tourist is writing postcards.
4. ride We are riding on a train.
5. not / fix Mr. Forest isn't fixing the computer.

B Choose and complete the sentences in the present continuous.

on the floor a skirt a butterfly the guitar



1. The girl isn't wearing pants. She is wearing a skirt.
2. Rocky isn't chasing a dragonfly. He isn't chasing a butterfly.
3. People aren't sitting on chairs. They are sitting on the floor.
4. I'm not playing the violin. I am playing the guitar.

C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

1. The boat is move. ➡ The boat is moving.
2. My friends talking loudly. ➡
3. The train is come into the station. ➡
4. Everybody is run to the station. ➡

Grammar in Writing



When you write a play, you can use the present continuous to express what the performers are doing.

★ Complete the play in the present continuous.

Title **JOHNNY APPLESEED**

Characters Narrator / Johnny Appleseed / Choir / Children

Scene 1 *(In the forest)* People are looking at the apple trees.
(look at)
Children eat apples. The narrator sit
(eat) (sit)
on a chair. The choir sing, "Apple juice and
(sing)
applesauce, my sweet apple pie!"

Scene 2 Johnny not wear shoes. He likes nature. He plant
(not / wear) (plant)
apple seeds everywhere. People laugh at him.
(laugh)
But he work hard. He carry a lot of apple
(work) (carry)
seeds in his bag.

Review!

▪ Complete the chart.

Positive			Negative		
I	am	<u>reading</u> (read)	I	<u>not</u> (= 'm not)	<u>read</u> (read)
He/She/It	is	<u>dancing</u> (dance)	He/She/It	<u>not</u> (= <u> </u>)	<u>dance</u> (dance)
We/You/They	are	<u>running</u> (run)	We/You/They	<u>not</u> (= <u> </u>)	<u>run</u> (run)