

Grammar Station



Present Continuous: Questions

- To make yes/no questions, we put the verb **be** before the subject.
- To make wh-questions, we put the question words **what** or **where** before the verb **be**.

		Question		Answer	
Yes/No Question		Am I	sleeping?	Yes, you are .	No, you aren't .
	Are you	Are you		Yes, I am .	No, I'm not .
	Is he	Is he		Yes, he is .	No, he isn't .
	Are they	Are they		Yes, they are .	No, they aren't .
Wh-question	What	are you is he	eating?	I'm eating a sandwich . He's eating fried chicken .	
	Where	are they is she	sleeping?	They're sleeping in their car . She's sleeping in her bed .	



Is Ron watching TV?

– No, he **isn't**.

Is he **reading** a storybook?

– Yes, he **is**.



Where are they playing?

– They are playing **on the beach**.

What are they **making**?

– They are **making a sandcastle**.

Match the questions with the correct answers.

1. Are you watching TV?	•	• Yes, he is .
2. Is he reading a book?	•	• No, I'm not .
3. What is she cooking?	•	• They're swimming .
4. What are they doing?	•	• She's cooking fish .

A Circle the correct words.

1. A Are you (write / writing) a letter?
B No, I'm not. I'm (draw / drawing) a picture.
2. A (Is / Are) Nancy cleaning her room?
B No. (She's / She) playing in the yard.
3. A Is your sister (ride / riding) a bike?
B No. She is (make / making) snowballs in the backyard.

B Complete the questions in the present continuous.



1. take a nap A Is Mr. Todd taking a nap ? B No, he isn't.
2. make bubbles A Is the girl making bubbles ? B Yes, she is.
3. hit the balls A Are the players hitting the balls ? B Yes, they are.
4. clean the bathroom A Are the girls cleaning the bathroom ? B No, they aren't.

C Complete the questions using **what** or **where**.

1. A What is your dad making ? B He's making a sandwich.
2. A Where is Amy studying ? B She's studying in her room.
3. A What are you eating ? B I'm eating apple pie.
4. A Where are the boys going ? B They're going to the park.
5. A What is he reading ? B He's reading a magazine.

Practice

A Complete the dialogues in the present continuous.

1. talk **A** Are you talking to Brian? **B** Yes, I am.
2. exercise **A** Is your dad exercising in the gym? **B** No, he isn't.
3. rain **A** Is it raining in your town? **B** Yes, it is.
4. have **A** Are the students having lunch? **B** No, they aren't.
5. plan **A** Is Ann planning a trip to Italy? **B** Yes, she is.

B Choose and complete the dialogues in the present continuous.

make / an invitation
watch / the ice show

go / to the airport
jog / in the park



1. **A** What are the girls watching? **B** They are watching the ice show.
2. **A** Is she jogging? **B** She is jogging in the park.
3. **A** Is Chris reading? **B** He is reading a newspaper.
4. **A** Are the people going? **B** They are going to the airport.

C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

1. Where the artist is going? Where is the artist going?
2. What they are wearing? _____
3. What is Nelly and Ben doing? _____
4. Does your sister sleeping? _____

Grammar in Writing



When you make a phone call, you can use the present continuous to express what is happening at that moment.

Complete the dialogue in the present continuous.



It's Saturday afternoon. Mandy is watching TV. (watch)

She is eating some snacks. (eat) Her phone is ringing. (ring)

Hi, Mandy? It's Simon. Are you doing what now? (what / do)

I'm watching a funny TV show. Are you watching TV, too? (you / watch)

No, I'm not.

What are you doing? Are you writing your English paper? (you / write)

No, I'm not. I'm taking care of my cousins.

I see. What are they doing?

Jake is eating ice cream, and Joe is ...

Oh, no! They are fighting over the ice cream! (they / fight)

Review!

Complete the chart.

Yes/No Question		Wh-question
Am <u>I</u>	sleeping?	Yes, <u>you are</u> . No, <u>you aren't</u> .
<u>Are</u> <u>they</u>		Yes, <u>they are</u> . No, <u>they aren't</u> .
<u>Is</u> <u>it</u>		Yes, <u>it is</u> . No, <u>it isn't</u> .