

are you doing? (present continuous questions)

A

positive question

I	am	doing working going staying etc.	am	I	doing working going staying etc.
he	is		is	he	
she				she	
it	are	etc.	are	it	
we				we	
you				you	
they				they	



- 'Are you feeling OK?' 'Yes, I'm fine, thanks.'
- 'Is it raining?' 'Yes, take an umbrella.'
- Why are you wearing a coat? It's not cold.
- 'What's Paul doing?' 'He's studying for his exams.'
- 'What are the children doing?' 'They're watching TV.'
- Look, there's Emily! Where's she going?
- Who are you waiting for? Are you waiting for Sue?

B

Study the word order:

is/are + *subject* + **-ing**

	Is	he	working today?
Where	Is	Ben	working today? (<i>not</i> Is working Ben today?)
Where	are	they	going ?
Where	are	those people	going ? (<i>not</i> Where are going those people?)

C

Short answers

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

- 'Are you going now?' 'Yes, I am.'
- 'Is Ben working today?' 'Yes, he is.'
- 'Is it raining?' 'No, it isn't.'
- 'Are your friends staying at a hotel?' 'No, they aren't. They're staying with me.'

Exercises

4.1 Look at the pictures and write the questions.

<p>1 (you / watch / it?) <i>Are you watching it?</i></p> <p>No, you can turn it off.</p>	<p>2 (you / go / now?)</p> <p>Yes, see you tomorrow.</p>	<p>3 (it / rain?)</p> <p>No, not at the moment.</p>
<p>4 (you / enjoy / the film?)</p> <p>Yes, it's very funny.</p>	<p>5 (that clock / work?)</p> <p>No, it's broken.</p>	<p>6 (you / wait / for a bus?)</p> <p>No, for a taxi.</p>

4.2 Look at the pictures and complete the questions. Use:

cry eat go laugh look at -read

<p>1 What <i>are you reading</i> ?</p>	<p>2 Where she ?</p>	<p>3 What ?</p>
<p>4 Why ?</p>	<p>5 What ?</p>	<p>6 Why ?</p>

4.3 Make questions from these words. Put the words in the right order.

- (is / working / Ben / today) *Is Ben working today*
- (what / the children / are / doing) *What are the children doing*
- (you / are / listening / to me)
- (where / your friends / are / going)
- (are / watching / your parents / TV)
- (what / Jessica / is / cooking)
- (why / you / are / looking / at me)
- (is / coming / the bus)

4.4 Write short answers (Yes, I am. / No, he isn't. etc.).

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| 1 Are you watching TV? <i>No, I'm not.</i> | 4 Is it raining? |
| 2 Are you wearing a watch? | 5 Are you sitting on the floor? |
| 3 Are you eating something? | 6 Are you feeling well? |