

Present Continuous

Present Continuous Tense				
Affirmative		Interrogative	Negative	
I	am		I'm	not
he she it	is	working swim ming	he she it	isn't
we you they	are		we you they	aren't

SPELLING RULES

We add **-ing** to the main verb: work + ing = working

Exceptions

a. If the main verb ends in **consonant + stressed vowel + consonant**, we double the last letter: stop + p + ing = stopping / cut + t + ing = cutting

b. If the main verb ends in **ie**, we change the **ie** to **y**: die = drey + ing = dying

c. If the main verb ends in **vowel + consonant + e**, omit the **e**: come + ing = coming

USE

We use the present continuous tense to talk about:

- a. an action happening exactly now
- b. an action happening around now

Fill in the gaps with the verb in the Present Continuous

1. What you (do) right now?
2. I (read) a book at the moment.
3. Jenny (clean) her room?
4. We (have) a great time on our trip here in Spain!
5. The children (swim) and Harry and I (sunbathe).
6. Look! It (snow)!
7. I can't talk to you now. I (work).
8. It is true that nowadays kids (spend) more time indoors.
9. This week Maria (finish) her book.
10. What they (plan) for the weekend?
11. It (not/rain) at the moment.
12. You (not/travel) to Athens on Saturday, you (travel) on Friday.
13. Where are the boys? Well, Peter (study) for his test and Chris (take) out the rubbish.
14. Listen! Someone (come).
15. Mum (not/sleep) she (lie) down.