

The present continuous (Verb +ing)

Basic rule: Add -ing to the base verb.

wait → waiting	play →
eat →	see →
go →	do →

Exceptions:

❶ If the base verb ends in 'e', remove the 'e' and add ing.

make → making	dance →
come →	ride →
shake →	write →

❷ If the base verb ends in a CVC pattern, double the last letter + ing.

cut → cutting	begin →
forget →	prefer →
run →	stop →



❸ If the base verb ends in 'ie', change the ie to y+ing

die → dying
lie →
tie →

❹ If the base verb ends in 'c', add 'k+ing'.

panic → panicking
mimic →
traffic →