

Present continuous

a Write sentences with the present continuous. Use contractions where you can.

- 1 ☐ It / snow *It isn't snowing.*
- 1 ☐ Oliver / wear a suit today!
- 2 ☐ It's hot. Why /you wear a coat?
- 3 ☐ Jane / sit in her usual place today
- 4 ☐ Hey! You / stand on my foot!
- 5 ☐ what book / you read?
- 6 ☐ we / rent a small flat at the moment
- 7 ☐ she / wear make-up?
- 8 ☐ I / plan a trip to the USA
- 9 ☐ your brother / work in London this week?
- 10 ☐ they / get on very well at the moment

b Complete the conversation with the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets. Use contractions where possible.

A What ¹ are you doing (you / do), Stefan?

B I ² _____ (look) at some paintings online. I want to buy a poster of one for the living room.

A My sister ³ _____ (do) an art course at the moment. Perhaps she can paint something for us.

B Um... perhaps. But look at this one – it's really beautiful. It's by Vermeer, and there's a girl who

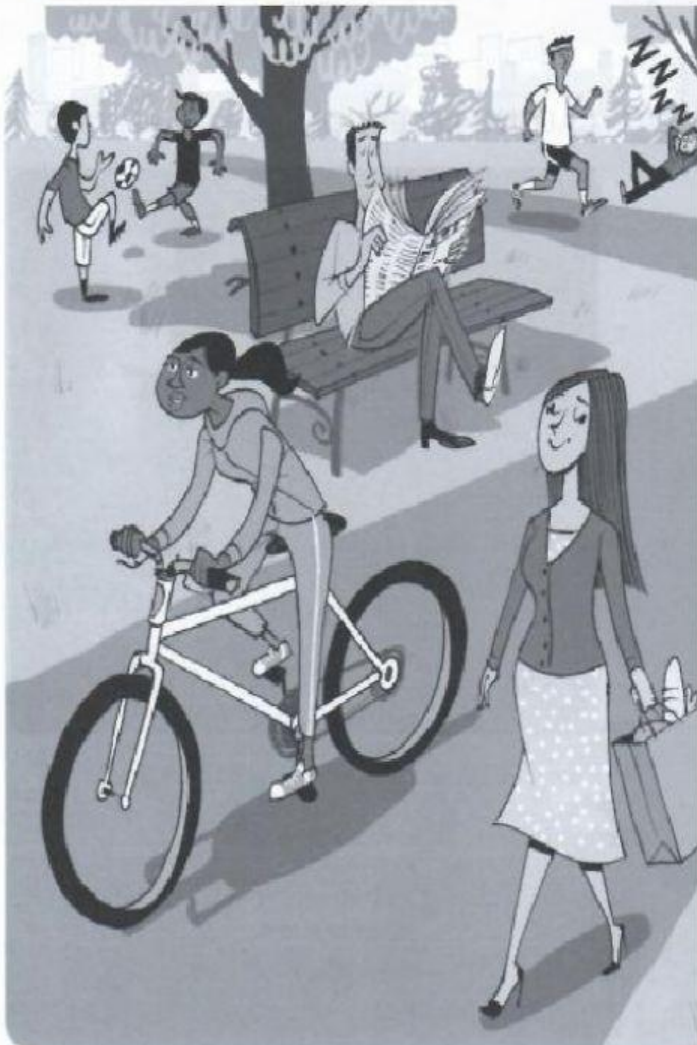
⁴ _____ (wear) a blue and yellow scarf on her head and a big pearl earring.

A I'm not sure. She ⁵ _____ (not / smile).

B I know, but that makes it more interesting.

A OK. If you like it, order it. My sister can paint something for the dining room.

c Look at the picture. Complete the questions with the present continuous form of the verb in brackets.



- 1 What is the man on the bench reading (read)?
- 2 What _____ the boys under the tree _____ (play)?
- 3 What _____ the woman on the left _____ (do)?
- 4 What _____ she _____ (wear)?
- 5 What _____ the woman on the right _____ (wear)?
- 6 What _____ she _____ (carry)?
- 7 What _____ the runner _____ (wear)?
- 8 What _____ the man under the tree _____ (do)?

d Answer questions 1–8 in c.

- 1 The man on the bench is reading a newspaper.
- 2 The boys are _____
- 3 The woman on the left _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____

