Present Continuous

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24 **Listen and repeat. Then act out.**

Affirmative		Negative	
Long form	**Short form**	**Long form**	**Short form**
I **am** talking	I'**m** talking	I **am not** talking	I'**m not** talking
You **are** talking	You'**re** talking	You **are not** talking	You **aren't** talking
He **is** talking	He'**s** talking	He **is not** talking	He **isn't** talking
She **is** talking	She'**s** talking	She **is not** talking	She **isn't** talking
It **is** talking	It'**s** talking	It **is not** talking	It **isn't** talking
We **are** talking	We'**re** talking	We **are not** talking	We **aren't** talking
You **are** talking	You'**re** talking	You **are not** talking	You **aren't** talking
They **are** talking	They'**re** talking	They **are not** talking	They **aren't** talking

We use the present continuous for temporary actions or for actions happening at the time of speaking.

Time expressions used with the present continuous:		
now	at the moment	at present

Spelling

When verbs end in one stressed vowel between two consonants, we double the consonant and add *-ing*.

swim – swi**mm**ing
sit – si**tt**ing
BUT walk – walking
wait – waiting

Look at the spelling of these verbs: → lie – **lying**, etc. write – **writing**, etc.

Questions and short answers

Questions	Short answers
Am I listening? **Are** we/you/they listening?	Yes, I **am**. / No, I **'m not**. Yes, we/you/they **are**. / No, we/you/they **aren't**.
Is he/she/it listening?	Yes, he/she/it **is**. / No, he/she/it **isn't**.

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1 25 **Add *-ing* to the verbs and put them in the correct column. Listen and repeat.**

~~drink~~	~~make~~	sit	begin	fly	cut	bake	take	drop
~~lie~~	~~hit~~	shave	play	die	sleep	meet	type	water

+ ing	-ie → y + ing	-e → ing	double consonant + ing
drinking, ...	lying, ...	making, ...	hitting, ...
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2 **Complete the sentences.**

Long Form

1 He ...is... feeding the dog.
2 They ..... reading.
3 It ..... flying.
4 We ..... not cleaning the floor.
5 I ..... not crying.

Short Form

He's..... feeding the dog.
They ..... reading.
It ..... flying.
We ..... cleaning the floor.
I ..... crying.

3 **Write the questions and answers.**

1 (laugh?)
.Is she laughing?....
.No, she isn't.....
.She's crying.....

2 (eat?)
.Is the dog eating?..
.Yes, it is.....
.It's eating.....

3 (cook?)
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4 (ski?)
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5 (dance?)
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6 (fly?)
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4 Look at the picture and correct the sentences.

1 The man on the rock is eating a sandwich. The man on the rock isn't eating a sandwich. He's fishing.

2 The two boys on the beach are reading. .....

3 The woman under the umbrella is playing with the sand. .....

4 The baby is reading a newspaper. .....

5 The man under the umbrella is drinking some juice. .....

6 The two girls are fishing. .....

5 Look at the picture and the list of verbs. Then complete the text using the *present continuous*.

cook	play	look	snow	stay	drink	sit	listen	sleep	sing

Dear Diary,
It's Sunday, my favourite day of the week. I 1) am sitting in the living room and I 2) ..... at my big happy family. Mum 3) ..... tea. My dad 4) ..... dinner. The boys 5) ..... with the karaoke machine. Grandmother 6) ..... to the boys singing but grandfather 7) ..... The girls 8) ..... a board game. It is very cold. It 9) ..... outside, so we 10) ..... at home tonight. It's OK, though, because we have lots of fun together. I love my big noisy family so much!

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