

GRAMMAR Present Continuous

We use the Present Continuous to talk about actions that are happening now.

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I'm talking.	I'm not talking.
You're talking.	They aren't talking.
He's talking.	She isn't talking.
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Are they talking?	Yes, they are . / No, they aren't .
Is she talking?	Yes, she is . / No, she isn't .
How's it going? Why are they smiling?	

- 1 ● Look at the pictures and complete the sentences with the Present Continuous of these verbs. Use full forms.

cry laugh listen to music ~~read~~ walk write



1 They **are reading**.



2 I _____.



3 We _____.



4 He _____.



5 She _____.



6 You _____.

- 2 ● Write the short forms.

- They are = **They're**
- You are = _____
- He is = _____
- We are = _____
- It is = _____
- She is = _____

- 3 ● Rewrite the sentences in Exercise 1 in the negative form.

1 **They aren't reading.**

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

5 _____

6 _____

- 4 ● Order the words to make questions.

1 it / raining / is / ?

Is it raining?

2 Hannah / is / running / why / ?

3 working / is / today / dad / your / ?

4 a / students / are / doing / test / the / ?

5 TV / what / watching / are / you / on / ?

- 5 ● Match the questions in Exercise 4 with answers a–e.

a ☐ Because she's late.

b ☒ No, it isn't.

c ☐ Yes, they are.

d ☐ A new film.

e ☐ Yes, he is.

- 6 ● Complete with the Present Continuous form or a short answer.

Andy: Hi! What ¹ **are you doing** (you/do)?

² _____ (you/watch) TV?

Ben: No, ³ _____ I ⁴ _____ (do) my homework. How about you?

Andy: I ⁵ _____ (not do) any homework.

I ⁶ _____ (listen) to some music.

My mum ⁷ _____ (cook) dinner.

Ben: What ⁸ _____ (she/cook)? Is she making something nice?

Andy: Yes, ⁹ _____ Burgers! Yum! And my dad ¹⁰ _____ (bake) a cake.

Ben: I ¹¹ _____ (feel) hungry now!