

Grammar Station

Present Continuous: Negative

★ We put **not** after the verb **be** to make negative sentences in the present continuous.

Negative		
Subject	Be + Not	Verb -ing
I	am not (= I'm not)	playing.
He / She / It	is not (= isn't)	
We / You / They	are not (= aren't)	



I'm sitting on the sofa.
I'm **not** sitting on the chair.



He's reading a newspaper.
He **isn't** reading a book.



She is drinking orange juice.
She **isn't** drinking milk.



They are making a model plane.
They **aren't** making a kite.

Check the correct sentences.

- ☒ He isn't cooking. ☐ He's cooking not.
- ☐ They don't watching TV. ☐ They aren't watching TV.
- ☐ I'm not studying. ☐ I don't studying.
- ☐ She not reading a book. ☐ She isn't reading a book.

A Circle the correct words.

1. (I'm not / I don't) wearing a cap.
2. He (isn't / doesn't) having lunch.
3. She (isn't / doesn't) crying now.
4. We (aren't / don't) visiting a farm.
5. They aren't (take / taking) pictures.
6. Tim isn't (plays / playing) baseball.
7. It isn't (flies / flying) away.
8. The girls aren't (cook / cooking).

B Match the sentences.

1. I'm reading comic books. • They aren't watching TV.
2. My mom is cooking. • He isn't riding a bike.
3. My dad is driving a car. • She isn't reading a book.
4. Tim and Joe are studying. • I'm not studying.
5. My sister and I are dancing. • It isn't sitting on the grass.
6. The cheetah is running. • We aren't singing.

C Choose and complete the sentences.

talk wash ~~read~~ play bake eat



1. My dad isn't reading the newspaper.
He is _____ on the phone.
2. My mom isn't _____ the dishes.
She is _____ some cookies.
3. My sister and I aren't _____ dinner.
We are _____ with our dog.

A Complete the sentences in the present continuous.



- The children aren't cleaning the room. (clean)
They _____ in the room. (play)
- Lucy _____ the box. (make)
She _____ the box. (open)
- Debbie _____ a picture. (draw)
She _____ a picture. (take)

B Complete the negative sentences in the present continuous.

- he / cut He isn't cutting the paper.
- they / make _____ a cake.
- we / walk _____ our dog.
- she / buy _____ a new dress.
- I / wash _____ my hair.
- you / drink _____ tea.

C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

- They don't asking questions. → They aren't asking questions.
- He isn't joging in the park. → _____
- I amn't opening the door. → _____
- She isn't studiing science now. → _____
- We aren't makeing a doghouse. → _____

Complete the play in the negative present continuous.

Scene 1 A boy is taking a walk in the park.

He isn't jogging
(jog)He _____ his glasses.
(wear)

Scene 2 A girl is taking a picture in the park.

She _____ a picture.
(draw)She _____ where she is going.
(look)

Scene 3 The boy walks into the girl.

But they _____ angry.
(get)

That's because they are best friends.

Scene 4 They are walking together.

They _____ goodbye.
(say)

Review!

Complete the chart.

Positive	Negative
I'm wearing a cap.	<u>I'm not wearing</u> a cap.
You are drinking tea.	_____ tea.
He is jogging in the park.	_____ in the park.
She is running to school.	_____ to school.
We are taking pictures.	_____ pictures.
They are making bubbles.	_____ bubbles.