

04 The present continuous

The present continuous is used to talk about continued actions that are happening in the present moment. It is formed with "be" and a present participle.



4.1 MATCH THE PICTURES TO THE CORRECT ANSWERS



Pedro is hiking in the mountains.

Michael is watching TV.

Martin is cooking dinner for his family.

Michelle is visiting a gallery.



4.2 FILL IN THE GAPS USING THE WORDS IN THE PANEL

The children are playing football.

- 1 You _____ a beautiful red dress.
- 2 Matilda _____ a travel book about Brazil.
- 3 My cat _____ the apple tree.
- 4 I _____ such an interesting book.
- 5 Hetty and Paula _____ some orange juice.
- 6 Phil _____ for his piano lesson.

am reading

~~are playing~~

is climbing

is practicing

is reading

are wearing

are drinking



4.3 FILL IN THE GAPS BY PUTTING THE VERBS IN THE PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Simon is walking ( walk) to work today.

1 Clara _____ ( try) on some new shoes.

2 I _____ ( write) a letter to my girlfriend.

3 Sanjay _____ ( learn) to drive.

4 Mel and Tim _____ ( get married) today.

5 Robin _____ ( not study) for the French exam this afternoon.

6 Sam and Ashwin _____ ( play) baseball at the park.

7 My sister's friend _____ ( perform) on stage now.



4.4 MARK THE SENTENCES THAT ARE CORRECT



Diane is buying a new house.

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Diane buys a new house.

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1



Sam and Pete not playing cards in the living room.

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Sam and Pete aren't playing cards in the living room.

☐

2



The children eat pizza once a week.

☐

The children are eating pizza once a week.

☐

3



Julian is wearing a suit for the meeting.

☐

Julian is wears a suit for the meeting.

☐



4.5 MATCH THE BEGINNINGS OF THE SENTENCES TO THE CORRECT ENDINGS

Is she coming	eating for dinner?
1 Are they going	snowing outside?
2 What are we	to the party tonight?
3 Is it	wearing such fancy clothes?
4 Why is Lisa	to the festival?



4.6 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, PUTTING THE WORDS IN THE CORRECT ORDER

talking on They phone. are the
They are talking on the phone.

1 playing today. Chris football isn't

2 your game? watching Are football kids a

3 wife her is friend afternoon. My visiting this

4 is the Selma at living Where moment?

5 wearing Joe a isn't tie today.



4.7 REWRITE THE SENTENCES AS QUESTIONS

She is eating an apple.

Is she eating an apple?

- 1 They are driving to the beach.

- 2 You are going swimming.

- 3 She is watching a movie.

- 4 Nelson is going shopping.

- 5 Ben is listening to classical music.

- 6 Chrissie is climbing the tree.

- 7 Sven and Olly are singing.

- 8 You are drinking apple juice.

- 9 They are playing tennis.

- 10 My son is reading a book.

- 11 Pavel is speaking Russian.

- 12 You are wearing a dress.



4.8 REWRITE THE SENTENCES AS NEGATIVES

We are enjoying the show.

We are not enjoying the show.

- 1 I am going to the zoo.

- 2 The dog is chasing a cat.

- 3 They are walking their dog.

- 4 Angela is wearing a dress.

- 5 We are playing chess.

- 6 I am eating Chinese food.

- 7 James is wearing your shirt.

- 8 You are reading a book.

- 9 She is cleaning her room.

- 10 Ed and Gus are watching a movie.

- 11 I am speaking French.

- 12 It is raining outside.
