



PROGRESSIVE TENSES

Watch the video. Then answer the exercises below.



verb to be

present: am-is-are

past: was-were

future: will be

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verb+ing

Fill in the blanks with a continuous or progressive tense. Use the verbs in the boxes of the beginning of each paragraph.

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To think about why I became an English teacher is to go back to my initial academic life. I was taken to the California when I was 1 year old, and brought back to my original place of birth, Zacatecas at age 6. A memory which comes to my mind is being in first grade and all students _____ how teacher Pancho _____ a boy with a ruler because he did not solve the addition problem on the board correctly. I was scared of teacher Pancho, and my mom suggested I give him an American pencil, yellow and with a shiny bright green ring holding the soft pink eraser. So there I went, I _____ a fluffy hot pink dress with a pack of American pencils for teacher Pancho. He was never mean to me. But, what about the children who could not give him anything?

read	compliment	sing	teach	do	write
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I was taken back to the USA, and put in 2nd grade. I remember, my classmates _____ an activity with the teacher while I _____ a page of letter O in cursive handwriting. The teacher did not know how to deal with me. My English was limited.

After that, I had nothing but wonderful learning experiences. My 3rd. grade teacher, Mrs. Aklen, _____ always _____ my oral reading and gave me individual help. Once, when I _____ aloud, she said I looked like one of Charlie's Angels. My 4th., Grade teacher, Mrs. Thomas was a singing teacher and she played the guitar. She _____ always _____. My 5th. Grade teacher, Mrs. Walker, was so good at explaining math, she was also sweet and loving to me. When she _____, all of us were completely silent. She taught math as if she were telling a story. My 6th. Grade teacher, Mrs Chavez, always welcomed us from recess by reading a book.

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In spite of my first contact with education and teacher Pancho, I am fortunate to say most of my teachers have been more than knowledge transmitters. They have been fun, interesting, prepared, and most of all caring, loving and respectful of students. As a Hispanic student I meant additional work, an extra burden to teachers, however, never did I feel like that, but on the contrary, I felt supported, appreciated, important. I _____ English, and also a life lesson that was the beginning stimulation of my decision to become and English teacher.

After more than thirty years as a teacher I have taught all educational levels, and have found all of them enchanting. I _____ now _____ future teachers! My students _____ for an English certification. I am so proud of them for the personal effort they have done to have this high English level. They _____ this course hoping they certify a B2 or C1 English level. They _____ the best they can.

teach	witness
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I hold great hope, they _____ English to their future students and help Mexican citizen begin their English Acquisition process as early as possible. I have a dream...that in a few years I _____ how teachers in public schools

taking advantage of their students early age by taking English activities into the classrooms of public schools.

I choose to be a teacher, like the ones who made a difference in my life because. Being a teacher has wonderful gratifying experiences as well as great social responsibility.