07 Bob is writing a letter.

Grammar Station

Present Continuous: Positive & Negative

- We use the **present continuous** to talk about actions happening now.
- We use **the verb *be* + verb-*ing*** for the present continuous.

Positive			Negative		
I	**am**	reading.	I	**am not** (=**'m not**)	reading.
He/She/It	**is**		He/She/It	**is not** (=**isn't**)	
We/You/They	**are**		We/You/They	**are not** (=**aren't**)	

- We add *-ing* to the base verbs to make the present continuous.

		Base Verb	Present Continuous
most verbs	**+ -ing**	eat walk	eat**ing** walk**ing**
verbs ending in -e	**~~e~~ + -ing**	mak**e** smil**e**	mak**ing** smil**ing**
verbs ending in a vowel + a consonant	**double consonant + -ing**	r**un** s**it**	r**unning** s**itting**

Joan and Tina **are walking** to school.
They **aren't running**.

Bob **is writing** a letter.
He **isn't sleeping**.

Cross out the wrong *-ing* forms.

making joging going danceing
running writeing stopping eating siting

LIVEWORKSHEETS

A Write the *-ing* forms of the verbs.

1. have having
2. clean _____
3. play _____
4. plan _____
5. sit _____
6. study _____
7. swim _____
8. smile _____
9. laugh _____
10. chase _____

B Circle the correct words.

1. I am (wash / washing) the dishes.
2. Derek is (make / making) a kite.
3. Lisa and I (am / are) studying.
4. She (not is / is not) crying.
5. Dave is (running / runing).
6. We are (having / haveing) lunch.
7. Sonya is (swimming / swiming).
8. I'm (do / doing) my homework.

C Complete the sentences in the present continuous.

1. I am watching a movie. Be quiet! (watch)
2. Molly _____ too fast. (run)
3. We _____ in the garden. (work)
4. The man _____. (dance)
5. They _____ pictures. (paint)
6. A cat _____ on a bench. (sit)

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Practice

A Complete the sentences in the present continuous.

1. sing — The birds ___are singing___ on the branch.
2. not / hit — Sean and David _____ the balls.
3. write — The tourist _____ postcards.
4. ride — We _____ on a train.
5. not / fix — Mr. Forest _____ the computer.

B Choose and complete the sentences in the present continuous.

on the floor | ~~a skirt~~ | a butterfly | the guitar

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②
③
④

1. The girl isn't wearing pants. She ___is wearing a skirt___.
2. Rocky isn't chasing a dragonfly. He _____.
3. People aren't sitting on chairs. They _____.
4. I'm not playing the violin. I _____.

C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

1. The boat is <u>move</u>. → ___The boat is moving.___
2. My friends <u>talking</u> loudly. → _____
3. The train is <u>come</u> into the station. → _____
4. Everybody is <u>run</u> to the station. → _____

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Grammar in Writing

When you write a play, you can use the present continuous to express what the performers are doing.

Complete the play in the present continuous.

Title JOHNNY APPLESEED

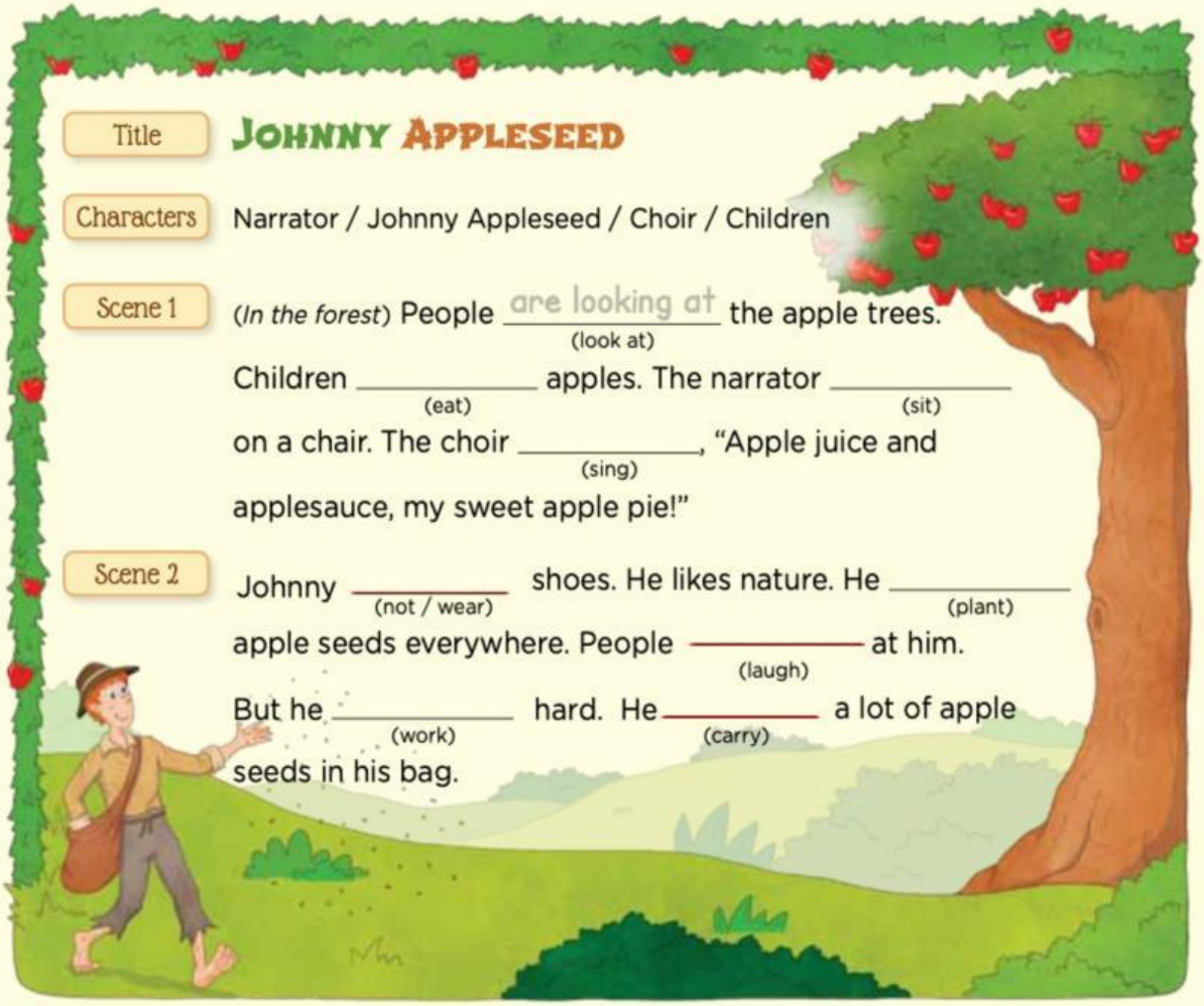
Characters Narrator / Johnny Appleseed / Choir / Children

Scene 1

(*In the forest*) People ___are looking at___ (look at) the apple trees. Children _____ (eat) apples. The narrator _____ (sit) on a chair. The choir _____ (sing), "Apple juice and applesauce, my sweet apple pie!"

Scene 2

Johnny _____ (not / wear) shoes. He likes nature. He _____ (plant) apple seeds everywhere. People _____ (laugh) at him. But he _____ (work) hard. He _____ (carry) a lot of apple seeds in his bag.



Review!

Complete the chart.

Positive			Negative		
I	am	___reading___ (read).	I	_____ (='m not)	_____ (read).
He/She/It	is	_____ (dance).	He/She/It	is not (= _____)	_____ (dance).
We/You/They	are	_____ (run).	We/You/They	are not (= _____)	_____ (run).

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