

- 1** Look at the examples. Then choose the correct words to complete the sentences below.

We're **getting on** a bus at five o'clock in the morning!

I'm **not taking** my keyboard with me next week.

When **are** we **going** mountain biking and paddle boarding?

- 1** We can use the present continuous to talk about *now* / *the future* / *now and the future*.
- 2** The three example sentences are about *now* / *the future*.
- 3** We *usually* / *never* use a time word with the present continuous for the future.

UNIT 7

PRESENT CONTINUOUS FOR FUTURE

- We often use the present continuous to talk about things that are happening now or at this moment (see Unit 1).
*Tim's in the park. He's **climbing** a tree.*
- We can also use the present continuous to talk about our future plans and arrangements.
*I'm **meeting** Julie later. We're **playing** tennis.*
- When we use the present continuous for the future, we usually use a future time expression (*later, on Monday morning, at 6 pm tomorrow, etc.*) to show we're talking about the future and not now.
*We're **learning** how to ski.* (= now, at this moment)
*We're **learning** how to ski next weekend.* (= future arrangement)

1 Complete these sentences with the present continuous form of the verb in brackets. Then, read the sentences again. Are we talking about now or the future? Write *N* (now) or *F* (future).

- 0 My friends *are hiking* (hike) in the mountains. *N*
- 1 We _____ (go paddle boarding) with Mia and Alfie on Friday. ____
- 2 _____ you _____ (listen) to me? ____
- 3 My dad _____ (not come) with us on holiday next week. ____
- 4 Be quiet! I _____ (do) my homework. ____
- 5 How _____ you and your friends _____ (get) to football practice later? ____

2 Sara is talking to Vicky. Look at Sara's diary and complete their conversation.

Vicky: Would you like to come to my house after school today?

Sara: I can't, (0) *I'm helping Max with his homework.*

Vicky: How about Friday afternoon?

Sara: No, (1) _____.

Vicky: Are you free on Saturday?

Sara: It's my dad's birthday and we (2) _____.

Vicky: And on Sunday?

Sara: In the morning, (3) _____.

Vicky: What about the afternoon?

Sara: Oh no, I can't! (4) _____. We've got a maths test on Monday!

DIARY

Thursday:	am pm help Max with homework
Friday:	am pm go to dentist
Saturday:	am Dad's birthday, have pizza at Paolo's Pizzas pm
Sunday:	am play basketball pm study
Monday:	am maths test! pm

3 Correct the mistakes in the sentences.



- 1 Taylor Swift sings at the football stadium next Saturday.
- 2 We meet at 3 pm tomorrow, at the bus station.
- 3 I'm very excited that you come to visit next summer.
- 4 Do you bring any money with you this evening?
- 5 I don't visit my grandparents next weekend.

3 What are you doing at these times this week? Complete these sentences so they are true for you.

0 (after school)

I'm doing my homework after school.

1 (tomorrow morning)

2 (Friday afternoon)

3 (Saturday morning)

4 (on Sunday)

5 (next week)

- 2 Look at Bella's diary for this weekend. Write her plans using the present continuous and mention the day and time for each activity. Is there anything she isn't doing?

She isn't cleaning her room at 2 pm on Sunday.





PRONUNCIATION

Sentence stress: present continuous

4 Look at the sentences. Decide which words in each sentence are stressed and underline them.

- 1 We're going kite surfing next week.
- 2 Are you going mountain biking in the summer?
- 3 They aren't buying a paddle board this weekend.
- 4 He's going camping next month.
- 5 Is she coming horse riding with us this evening?
- 6 He isn't going hiking during the holidays.



Listen and check. Then repeat.

5 In pairs, take turns to read out your sentences from Exercise 2.

- 6** In pairs, write a list of all the activities you'd like to do on an adventure week. Where would you like to go? Now plan your week. Choose at least one activity for each day.

- 7** Work with another pair. Use the present continuous to ask and answer questions about each other's adventure weeks.

What are you doing on Tuesday?

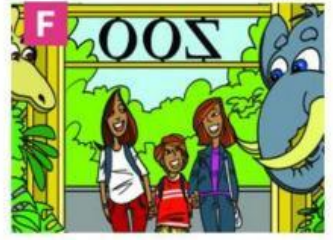
On Tuesday, we're ...

Choose the best activities from your group to make a perfect week. Tell the class.

This is our perfect adventure week on the Black Sea. On Monday morning, we're learning how to waterski and then in the afternoon we're ...

- 1 Laura _____ (meet) her cousin for lunch next Monday.
- 2 Stefan and his dad _____ (play) tennis next Friday.
- 3 I _____ (study) Chinese next Thursday.
- 4 We _____ (take) our brother to the zoo next Tuesday.
- 5 Lucinda _____ (have) a birthday party next Saturday.
- 6 Eliot _____ (visit) his grandparents next Sunday.

2 Match the pictures with the sentences in Exercise 1.



3 Correct the mistakes in the sentences.



1 I'm going to the airport. My mum arrive at 3.30 pm.

2 My father takes us to the sports centre at six o'clock. Don't forget to bring your racket!

3 Would you like to help me paint my bedroom?
We starting on Sunday morning at 10.

4 My friend Jacek is from Poland. Next week he come to see us in England.

5 Don't forget we meet at 3 pm at my house.

4 Write four sentences about things you are doing this year. Use the present continuous and a month or a date.

0 *Gonzalo and I are playing in a table tennis competition on 4th June.*

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