

Live English
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Present Continuous

It's happening **NOW!**

Talk about
what is
happening
at the moment!



We use the present continuous to talk about actions that are happening **now**, **around now**, or in a **temporary situation**.

Affirmative (+)

Subject + **am / is / are** + verb-ing

I **am** studying.
You **are** reading.
He **is** playing.
She **is** listening.
It **is** raining.
We **are** working.
They **are** watching.



Negative (-)

Subject + **am / is / are** + **not** + verb-ing

I **am not** studying.
You **are not** reading.
He **is not** playing.
She **is not** listening.
It **is not** raining.
We **are not** working.
They **are not** watching.



Questions (?)

Am / Is / Are + subject + verb-ing?

Am I studying?
Are you reading?
Is he playing?
Is she listening?
Is it raining?
Are we working?
Are they watching?



Spelling Rules

Add **-ing** to the base verb.

- Most verbs: play → **playing**
- Verbs ending in **-e**: write → **writing** (drop the e)
- Short verbs (CVC): run → **running** (double the last consonant)
- Verbs ending in **-ie**: die → **dying** (change ie to y)

Spelling
changes,
but the
meaning
is the same!



Time Expressions

We often use the present continuous with:

- now
- at the moment
- right now
- today
- this week
- these days
- currently
- Look! / Listen!

They help
us know
when the action
is happening!



Examples in Context



She **is listening**
to music now.



He **is playing**
soccer at the moment.



They **are watching**
a video today.



The dog **is running**
in the garden.



I **am talking**
to my friend right now.

Actions **in progress**... Life in the **moment!**

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