

# Present continuous

## Exercise 1. Choose the correct form.

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I ..... an email now.

- am writing
  - am writting
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Susan ..... in the bed at the moment.

- lying
  - is lying
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I ..... in London this month.

- am staying
  - stay
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Peter ..... this week.

- working
  - is working
- 

My mum and dad ..... now.

- is cooking
  - are cooking
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I'd like to know why you ..... my bedroom.

- are tiding
  - are tidying
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Jane isn't at home. She .....

- is shoping
  - is shopping
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I can see Daniel. He ..... over there.

- is siting
  - is sitting
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Can I help you? - No, thank you. We .....

- just looking
  - are just looking
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I am in Hastings. .... English this summer.

- I learning
  - I'm learning
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## Exercise 2. Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets. \_\_\_\_\_

Example:

Bill ..... today. (work)

Bill is working today.

Look. She ..... us. (watch)

We ..... in Paris this week. (stay)

My sister is not here. She ..... the shopping. (do)

Please, stop! You ..... so loudly! (sing)

It's 9 o'clock and I ..... a book. (read)

Where is Sam? - He ..... his car. (mend)

Paul, where are you? I ..... outside the school. (wait)

Sarah and Sue ..... in the street at the moment. (play)

Debbie ..... her flat in York these days. (decorate)

Luke is in the bathroom. He ..... a shower. (take)

The sun ..... and we are sunbathing. (shine)

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## Negative

**Exercise 3 (full forms). Make negative answers. Use full forms.** \_\_\_\_\_

Example:

Are your friends cooking now? - No, they are not cooking now.

Is your best friend eating a chocolate?

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Are you drinking milk right now?

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Is your brother playing the piano?

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Am I writing this test with you?

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Are your parents singing a song at the moment?

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Are you wearing your grandma's shoes today?

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Are you and your neighbours riding bikes just now?

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Are all your uncles and aunts sitting near you?

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**Exercise 4 (short forms). Make the sentences negative. Use short forms. \_\_\_\_**

Example:

Miriam is crying. - Miriam isn't crying.

Can you see Simon? He's looking at you.

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I'm doing homework just now.

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We're jogging in the park.

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My friend's selling pizzas this summer.

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Can you tell me why you're listening to us?

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Don't panic. The cat's eating your food.

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I'd like to know why you're reading this book.

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My little sister's playing on my computer.

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## Questions

### Exercise 5. Make positive questions. \_\_\_\_\_

Example: Where are you parking? - I am parking near here.

What ..... at the moment?

I am writing a test.

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Which ..... ?

I am doing exercise 1.

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..... ?

No, nobody is helping me.

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Which ..... ?

Well, I am making question 3.

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..... your friends ..... ?

No, they are not looking at me.

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And what ..... now?

I'm sorry, I don't know what they are doing.

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..... your teacher ..... around the classroom?

No, she isn't walking. She's sitting at her desk.

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**Exercise 6. Make negative questions.** \_\_\_\_\_

Example: Our teacher is speaking too fast. (speak slowly) - Why isn't she speaking slowly?

My brother is sleeping.

Why ..... ? (get up)

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I am working at a hotel now.

Why ..... ? (learn for exams)

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Our daughter is waiting over there.

Why ..... ? (wait with you)

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They are flying to Mumbai.

Why ..... ? (fly to Calcutta)

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My mum and dad aren't doing anything.

Why ..... ? (watch a film)

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I'm tired, so I'm drinking tea.

Why ..... ? (drink coffee)

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He is washing his T-shirts by hand.

Why ..... his wife ..... ? (wash them)

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# Answer keys

**Our tip:** [www.e-grammar.org/pdf-books/](http://www.e-grammar.org/pdf-books/) All PDF exercises + grammar rules in one place.

## Present continuous affirmative

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### Exercise 1

I am writing an email now.

Susan is lying in the bed at the moment.

I am staying in London this month.

Peter is working this week.

My mum and dad are cooking now.

I'd like to know why you are tidying my bedroom.

Jane isn't at home. She is shopping.

I can see Daniel. He is sitting over there.

Can I help you? - No, thank you. We are just looking.

I am in Hastings. I'm learning English this summer.

### Exercise 2

Look. She is watching us.

We are staying in Paris this week.

My sister isn't here. She is doing the shopping.

Please, stop! You are singing so loudly!

It's 9 o'clock and I am reading a book.

Where is Sam? - He is mending his car.

Paul, where are you? I am waiting outside the school.

Sarah and Sue are playing in the street at the moment.

Debbie is decorating her flat in York these days.

Luke is in the bathroom. He is taking a shower.

The sun is shining and we are sunbathing.

## Present continuous negative

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### Exercise 3

No, my best friend is not eating a chocolate.

No, I am not drinking milk right now.

No, he is not playing the piano.

No, you are not writing this test with me.

No, they are not singing a song at the moment.

No, I am not wearing my grandma's shoes today.

No, we are not riding bikes just now.

No, they are not sitting near me.

### Exercise 4

Can you see Simon? He isn't looking at you. (He's not looking...)

I'm not doing homework just now.

We aren't jogging in the park. (We're not jogging...)

My friend isn't selling pizzas this summer. (My friend's not selling...)

Can you tell me why you aren't listening to us? (...you're not listening...)

Don't panic. The cat isn't eating your food. (The cat's not eating...)

I'd like to know why you aren't reading this book. (...you're not reading...)

My little sister isn't playing on my computer. (My little sister's not playing...)



## Present continuous questions

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### Exercise 5

What are you writing/doing at the moment?

Which exercise are you doing?

Is anybody helping you?

Which question are you making?

Are your friends looking at you?

And what are they doing now?

Is your teacher walking around the classroom?

### Exercise 6

Why isn't he getting up? Why is he not getting up?

Why aren't you learning for exams? Why are you not learning for exams?

Why isn't she waiting with you? Why is she not waiting with you?

Why aren't they flying to Calcutta? Why are they not flying to Calcutta?

Why aren't they watching a film? Why are they not watching a film?

Why aren't you drinking coffee? Why are you not drinking coffee?

Why isn't his wife washing them? Why is his wife not washing them?