

# PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I am reading	I am not dancing	Am I writing?
You are reading	You are not dancing	Are you writing?
He is reading	He is not dancing	Is he writing?
She is reading	She is not dancing	Is she writing?
It is reading	It is not dancing	Is it writing?
We are reading	We are not dancing	Are we writing?
You are reading	You are not dancing	Are you writing?
They are reading	They are not dancing	Are they writing?

## Use:

To talk about actions happening:

- now, at the time of speaking;
- around the moment of speaking, not necessarily this very moment;
- in a near future, especially for planned actions.

## Form:

to be + gerund  
Present Simple (am, is, are)      verb+ing form

**Gerund = Infinitive + -ing**

E.g.: drink + ing = drinking  
watch + ing = watching  
listen + ing = listening

1. Verbs ending in -e:

E.g.: have – having  
write – writing

2. Verbs ending in -ie:

E.g.: die – dying



3. Verbs with **one syllable** ending in **one vowel** followed by **one consonant**:

E.g.: run – running  
swim – swimming

**EXCEPTIONS:** Ending in **one vowel** plus:

-y – buy – buying  
-w – show – showing  
-x – fix – fixing  
-z – buzz – buzzing



**This is how you ask and answer about what people are doing now**

What	am I are you is he is she is it are we are you are they	doing?	I am You are He is She is It is We are You are They are	dancing. eating.
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**A. Build up sentences following the model.**

Charles / drink / coke  
He is **drinking** coke.

Charles / not drink / coke  
He **isn't drinking** coke.

Charles / drink / coke / ?  
**Is Charles drinking** coke?

1. I / read / magazines

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2. Peter and Mary / watch / TV

\_\_\_\_\_

3. She / play / basketball

\_\_\_\_\_

4. He / not / learn / chess

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5. You / swim / in the river / ?

\_\_\_\_\_





D. What are they doing? Look at the pictures and write. Use the verbs and expressions in the box.

eat sing fight run sleep play listen to music  
dance cook read study watch TV



1. She \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



2. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



3. \_\_\_\_\_

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4. \_\_\_\_\_

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5. \_\_\_\_\_

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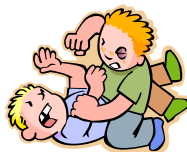
6. \_\_\_\_\_

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7. \_\_\_\_\_

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8. \_\_\_\_\_

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9. \_\_\_\_\_

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10. \_\_\_\_\_

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11. \_\_\_\_\_

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12. \_\_\_\_\_

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