

Unit  
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I am doing (present continuous)

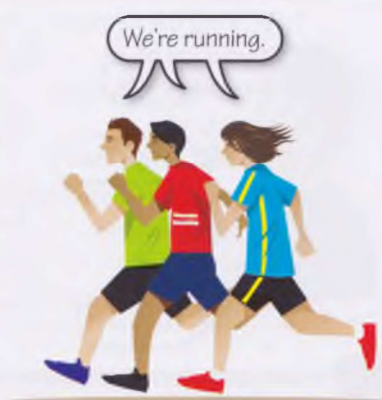
A



She's eating.  
She isn't reading.



It's raining.  
The sun isn't shining.



They're running.  
They aren't walking.

The present continuous is:

**am/is/are + doing/eating/running/writing** etc.

I	<b>am</b> (not)	<b>-ing</b>
he she it	<b>is</b> (not)	
we you they	<b>are</b> (not)	

- I'm working. I'm not watching TV.
- Maria **is reading** a newspaper.
- She **isn't eating**. (or She's not eating.)
- The bus **is coming**.
- We're having dinner.
- You're not listening to me. (or You aren't listening ...)
- The children **are doing** their homework.

B

**am/is/are + -ing** = something is happening *now*:

I'm working  
she's wearing a hat  
they're playing football  
I'm not watching TV

past

now

future

- Please be quiet. I'm working. (= I'm working now)
- Look, there's Sarah. She's wearing a brown coat. (= she is wearing it now)
- The weather is nice. It's not raining.
- 'Where are the children?' 'They're playing in the park.'
- (on the phone) We're having dinner now. Can I call you later?
- You can turn off the television. I'm not watching it.

Spelling (→ Appendix 5):

come → coming   write → writing   dance → dancing  
run → running   sit → sitting   swim → swimming  
lie → lying



# Unit 4

## are you doing? (present continuous questions)

A

positive question

I	<b>am</b>	<b>doing working going staying</b> etc.
he she it	<b>is</b>	
we you they	<b>are</b>	

<b>am</b>	I	<b>doing working going staying</b> etc.
<b>is</b>	he she it	
<b>are</b>	we you they	



- 'Are you **feeling** OK?' 'Yes, I'm fine, thanks.'
- 'Is it **raining**?' 'Yes, take an umbrella.'
- Why **are** you **wearing** a coat? It's not cold.
- 'What's Paul **doing**?' 'He's **studying** for his exams.'
- 'What **are** the children **doing**?' 'They're **watching** TV.'
- Look, there's Emily! Where's she **going**?
- Who **are** you **waiting** for? **Are** you **waiting** for Sue?

B

Study the word order:

**is/are** + *subject* + **-ing**

	<b>Is</b>	he	<b>working</b> today?
Where	<b>Is</b>	Ben	<b>working</b> today? ( <i>not</i> Is working Ben today?)
Where	<b>are</b>	they	<b>going</b> ?
Where	<b>are</b>	those people	<b>going</b> ? ( <i>not</i> Where are going those people?)

C

Short answers

Yes,	I	<b>am.</b>	No,	I'm	<b>not.</b>	or	No,	he	<b>isn't.</b>
	he	<b>is.</b>		he's				she	
	she			it's				it	
it	<b>are.</b>	we're	we	<b>aren't.</b>					
we		you're	you						
you		they're	they						

- 'Are you **going** now?' 'Yes, I am.'
- 'Is Ben **working** today?' 'Yes, he is.'
- 'Is it **raining**?' 'No, it isn't.'
- 'Are your friends **staying** at a hotel?' 'No, they aren't. They're staying with me.'

# Exercises

## 4.1 Look at the pictures and write the questions.

<p>1 (you / watch / it?) <i>Are you watching it?</i></p> <p>No, you can turn it off.</p>	<p>2 (you / go / now?) .....</p> <p>Yes, see you tomorrow.</p>	<p>3 (it / rain?) .....</p> <p>No, not at the moment.</p>
<p>4 (you / enjoy / the film?) .....</p> <p>Yes, it's very funny.</p>	<p>5 (that clock / work?) .....</p> <p>No, it's broken.</p>	<p>6 (you / wait / for a bus?) .....</p> <p>No, for a taxi.</p>

## 4.2 Look at the pictures and complete the questions. Use:

**cry eat go laugh look at -read**

<p>1 What <u>are you reading</u> ?</p>	<p>2 Where ..... she ..... ?</p>	<p>3 What ..... ?</p>
<p>4 Why ..... ?</p>	<p>5 What ..... ?</p>	<p>6 Why ..... ?</p>

## 4.3 Make questions from these words. Put the words in the right order.

- (is / working / Ben / today) Is Ben working today .....
- (what / the children / are / doing) What are the children doing .....
- (you / are / listening / to me) .....
- (where / your friends / are / going) .....
- (are / watching / your parents / TV) .....
- (what / Jessica / is / cooking) .....
- (why / you / are / looking / at me) .....
- (is / coming / the bus) .....

## 4.4 Write short answers (Yes, I am. / No, he isn't. etc.).

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1 Are you watching TV? <u>No, I'm not.</u> | 4 Is it raining? .....                |
| 2 Are you wearing a watch? .....           | 5 Are you sitting on the floor? ..... |
| 3 Are you eating something? .....          | 6 Are you feeling well? .....         |