

## Guía Present Continuous

### 1er y 2do Ciclo

#### **PRESENT CONTINUOUS (Presente Continuo o Progresivo):**

We use Present Continuous to talk about activities or events that are happening at the moment of speaking (*usamos el presente continuo para hablar de actividades o acciones que ocurren en el momento en el que se habla*)

Por ejemplo, observa a los personajes en las imágenes y presta atención en la actividad que realizan en el momento:



She's **eating**.  
She **isn't** reading.

Ella **está comiendo**

Ella **no está leyendo**



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

**Está lloviendo**

El sol **no está brillando**



They're **running**.  
They **aren't** walking.

Ellos **están corriendo**

Ellos **no están caminando**

**How to Form the Present Continuous?** (¿Cómo usamos el presente continuo?)

#### **Affirmative and Negative Forms**

The present continuous is made from the **present tense of the verb *be*** and the ***ing form*** of a verb (El presente continuo se crea a partir de la forma presente del verbo "to be" y la forma terminada en -ing del verbo a utilizar)

Pon atención a la siguiente tabla:

The present continuous is:

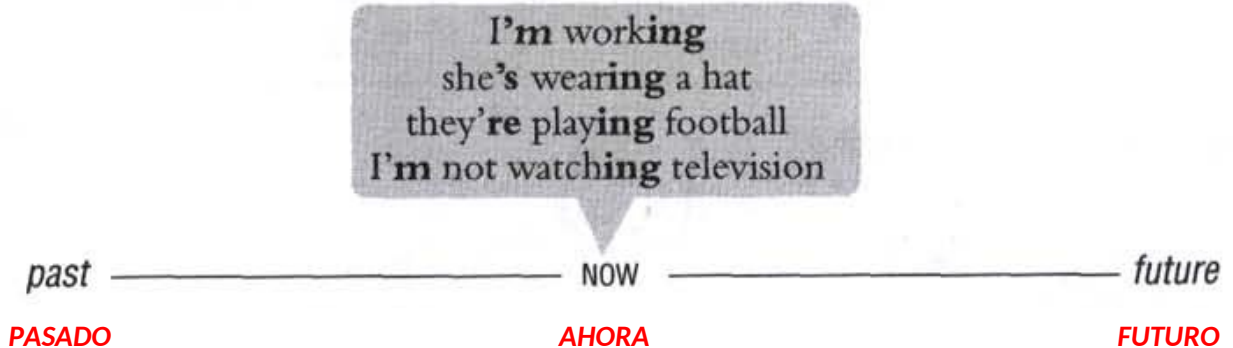
**am/is/are + doing/eating/running/writing etc.**

I	<b>am</b>	(not)	<b>-ing</b>	I'm <b>working</b> .	
he	}	<b>is</b>	(not)	<b>-ing</b>	Chris <b>is</b> <b>writing</b> a letter.
she					She <b>isn't</b> <b>eating</b> . (or She's <b>not</b> <b>eating</b> .)
it					The phone <b>is</b> <b>ringing</b> .
we	}	<b>are</b>	(not)	<b>-ing</b>	We're <b>having</b> dinner.
you					You're <b>not</b> <b>listening</b> to me. (or You <b>aren't</b> ...)
they					The children <b>are</b> <b>doing</b> their homework.

**REMEMBER:**

Recuerda que el Presente Continuo lo utilizamos para hablar de eventos que ocurren en el instante, en el "ahora". Si tuviéramos que situar este tiempo verbal en una línea temporal, se vería de este modo:

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



Observa los siguientes ejemplos. Recuerda que la palabra "now" significa "ahora".

- Please be quiet. I'm **working**. (= I'm working now)
- Look at Sue! She's **wearing** her new hat. (= she is wearing it now)
- The weather is nice at the moment. It's **not raining**.
- 'Where are the children?' 'They're **playing** in the park.'
- (on the phone) We're **having** dinner now. Can you phone again later?
- You can turn off the television. I'm **not watching** it.

**How to make questions with the Present Continuous?** (¿Cómo formamos preguntas usando el presente continuo?)

Observa los cuadros, tanto de la forma positiva o afirmativa como la de las preguntas, y haz la comparación:

*positive*

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

*question*

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

A continuación, los ejemplos son muestras de preguntas en Presente Continuo y sus respectivas o posibles respuestas:

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

**GOOD LUCK!!!**