

Vocabulary



Tunning up a Car



Scratch



Pick up



Hurt



Pickup Truck



Grin Smile

Present Continuous

Point 1: We use the present continuous for actions that start and finish within a time frame. We often say the action is happening now.

1. What are you doing?
2. I'm calling my friend. (The action will stop soon.)
3. What are you watching on TV?
4. I'm watching a documentary about the Olympics.

Point 2: We use the present simple tense for an action that is repeating or ongoing. We use the present continuous if the action will end at some time.

1. I live in New York.
2. I'm living in New York at the moment. (I'll move one day.)
3. I work a lot.
4. I'm working a lot these days. (I will work less soon.)

Point 3: In fast spoken English, the be verbs are contracted and the /g/ in the /-ing/ is omitted.

1. I am having a good time.
2. I'm havin' a good time.
3. She is making a big mistake.
4. She's makin' a big mistake.
5. He is not coming to the party.
6. He isn't comin' to the party.

Point 4: We often use the present continuous for plans in the future, especially if the action is known or anticipated by other people.

- **Are you coming to the party tomorrow night?**
- Yes, but I'm working tomorrow, so I might be late.
- **Is anyone coming with you?**
- Yes, I'm bringing my friend.

Beginner English Grammar (A2) Lesson 3 of 25

Present Continuous

Read and listen to four conversations using the grammar.

Conversation 1 | [Free PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: What *are* you *doing*?
Woman: I'm *writing* a report.
Man: What *are* you *writing* about?
Woman: I'm *writing* about Bitcoin.
Man: Oh, that sounds interesting.
Woman: It is! I'm *learning* a lot.
Man: Where *are* you *getting* your information?
Woman: Wikipedia and Chat GPT.
Man: That works, I guess.

Conversation 2 | [Free PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: Where is mom?
Woman: She's in the kitchen. She's *cooking* dinner.
Man: Where's dad?
Woman: He's *outside*. He's *sitting* on the porch. He's *waiting* for dinner.
Man: What's he *doing* outside?
Woman: He's *listening* to news on the radio.
Man: Why doesn't he watch the news on TV?
Woman: The TV *isn't working*.
Man: Oh, that's too bad. Well, it is a nice day to be outside.

Conversation 3 | [Free PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: Hey, what a surprise! What *are* you *doing* here?
Woman: I'm *waiting* for my friend. I'm *meeting* him for lunch.
Man: Nice! Where *are* you *going*?
Woman: We're *going* to the new Italian restaurant.
Man: Oh, I hear it's really good.
Woman: What about you? What *are* you *doing*? *Are* you *shopping*?
Man: Yeah. I'm *picking* up a few things, and then I'm *going* to the gym.
Woman: Well, have a good workout.
Man: Thanks! Enjoy your meal.
Woman: Thanks!

Conversation 4 | [Free PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: What's *happening* outside?
Woman: I think a car hit a man on a bike.
Man: Oh no! Is he hurt?
Woman: I'm not sure. He's *lying* on the ground.
Man: Oh no. Is it serious?
Woman: No, he *is getting* up now.
Man: Well, that's good.
Woman: He looks OK. He's *smiling* and *talking* now.
Man: Oh, good! That's good news.

Quiz

Answer these questions about the interview.

1) What is someone doing in conversation 1?

- a) Using a computer
- b) Writing a letter**

2) What is someone doing in conversation 2?

- a) Eating soup
- b) Preparing food**

3) What is someone doing in conversation 3?

- a) Tuning up a car**
- b) Working quickly

4) What is someone doing in conversation 4?

- a) Playing sports**
- b) Watching soccer

Gap Fill: Complete the conversation with the correct word!

Question 1 of 4

Drag the boxes onto the matching gaps.

- information
- writing
- sounds

- about
- learning
- works

- doing
- GPT

Conversation 1

Man: What are you ___?

Woman: I'm ___ a report.

Man: What are you writing ___?

Woman: I'm writing about Bitcoin.

Man: Oh, that ___ interesting.

Woman: It is! I'm ___ a lot.

Man: Where are you getting your ___?

Woman: Wikipedia and Chat ___.

Man: That ___, I guess.

Question 2 of 4

Drag the boxes onto the matching gaps.

- TV
- doing
- waiting

- in
- radio
- on

- working
- outside

Conversation 2

Man: Where is mom?

Woman: She's ___ the kitchen. She's cooking dinner.

Man: Where's dad?

Woman: He's outside. He's sitting ___ the porch. He's ___ for dinner.

Man: What's he ___ outside?

Woman: He's listening to news on the ___.

Man: Why doesn't he watch the news on ___?

Woman: The TV isn't ___.

Man: Oh, that's too bad. Well, it is a nice day to be ___.

Question 3 of 4

Drag the boxes onto the matching gaps.

- surprise
- up
- hear

- Italian
- meeting
- going

- doing
- meal

Conversation 3

Man: Hey, what a ___! What are you doing here?

Woman: I'm waiting for my friend. I'm ___ him for lunch.

Man: Nice! Where are you ___?

Woman: We're going to the new ___ restaurant.

Man: Oh, I ___ it's really good.

Woman: What about you? What are you ___? Are you shopping?

Man: Yeah. I'm picking ___ a few things, and then I'm going to the gym.

Woman: Well, have a good workout.

Man: Thanks! Enjoy your ___.

Woman: Thanks!

Question 4 of 4

Drag the boxes onto the matching gaps.

- hit
- news
- hurt

- smiling
- serious
- happening

- up
- lying

Conversation 4

Man: What's ___ outside?

Woman: I think a car ___ a man on a bike.

Man: Oh no! Is he ___?

Woman: I'm not sure. He's ___ on the ground.

Man: Oh no. Is it ___?

Woman: No, he is getting ___ now.

Man: Well, that's good.

Woman: He looks OK. He's ___ and talking now.

Man: Oh, good! That's good ___.

Corporate Vocabulary

Occupation

Profession, work.

“My sister’s occupation is in nursing.”

Career

Professional path.

“My sister career has progressed rapidly.”