

Present Continuous Tense



Remember

The present continuous tense form talks about an action that is going on in the present.

Note how we formed the tense: we used the present tense form of *to be* and the verb in its *-ing* form.

Are you confused? There is no need to worry. Let us look at the first sentence.

The children are baking a cake.

In this sentence, the verb is *are baking*. We formed this verb by writing *are* (a form of *to be*) and *baking* (*bake + ing*).

B. Now look at the sentences that you have written. Write the form of *to be* and the verb in its *-ing* form. One has been done for you.

to be	verb + ing
are	bake + ing
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C. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph given below with the present continuous tense.

They (have) a meeting inside. I wonder what they (discuss). Perhaps they (think) of declaring a holiday tomorrow. Peep through this window. Tell us what they (do). Well, Mrs Pandey (stand) and (talk) to the others. All the others (listen) to her, while Mr Tripathi (nod) his head. The Manager (take) down notes. Now all the people (clap). Look out, they (rise). They (come) out of the room.