

## PRESENT PROGRESSIVE: AFFIRMATIVE AND NEGATIVE FORMS

Subject	Structure	Examples	
		Affirmative	Negative
I	Subject + <i>am (not)</i> + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement.	I <b>am</b> sleeping.	I <b>am not</b> playing.
He / She / It	Subject + <i>is (not)</i> + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement.	He <b>is</b> doing homework.	He <b>is not</b> running.
You / We / They	Subject + <i>are (not)</i> + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement.	You <b>are</b> watching TV.	You <b>are not</b> reading.

- We use the present progressive to describe an action at the moment of speaking.
- In negative sentences, we add *not* between the verb *to be* and the verb with *-ing* ending. We can also use these contractions: *'m not, isn't, aren't*.

### Spelling rules to add *-ing* to verbs

Most verbs	Verbs ending in <i>-e</i>	Verbs ending in <i>-ie</i>	Verbs ending in consonant + vowel + consonant
play = play <b>ing</b> cry = cry <b>ing</b> bark = bark <b>ing</b>	slide = slid <b>ing</b> ride = rid <b>ing</b> write = writ <b>ing</b>	die = dy <b>ing</b> tie = ty <b>ing</b> lie = ly <b>ing</b>	beg = beg <b>ing</b> begin = begin <b>ing</b> run = run <b>ing</b>

## PRESENT PROGRESSIVE: INTERROGATIVE FORM

### Yes / No questions

Subject	Structure	Examples
I	<i>Am</i> + subject + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement?	<b>Am</b> I study <b>ing</b> English? Yes, I <b>am</b> . / No, I' <b>m not</b> .
You / We / They	<i>Are</i> + subject + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement?	<b>Are</b> the children eat <b>ing</b> lunch? Yes, they <b>are</b> . / No, they <b>aren't</b> .
He / She / It	<i>Is</i> + subject + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement?	<b>Is</b> he reading a book? Yes, he <b>is</b> . / No, he <b>isn't</b> .

### Wh- questions

Subject	Structure	Examples
I	<i>Wh-</i> word + <i>am</i> + subject + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement?	<b>What am</b> I study <b>ing</b> ? I'm studying English.
You / We / They	<i>Wh-</i> word + <i>are</i> + subject + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement?	<b>Where are</b> we go <b>ing</b> ? We're going to the mall.
He / She / It	<i>Wh-</i> word + <i>is</i> + subject + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement?	<b>Why is</b> she cry <b>ing</b> ? She's crying because she's sad.

- Yes / No questions can be answered with short answers.
- Short answers use *am*, *is*, or *are* in affirmative or negative form.
- Wh- questions ask for specific information.
- Wh- words are *what*, *where*, *when*, *why*, *how*, etc.



## SIMPLE PRESENT VS. PRESENT PROGRESSIVE

	Simple present	Present progressive
Affirmative	Subject + verb (+ <i>-s</i> in 3 <sup>rd</sup> person) + complement. I <b>play</b> football every Friday.	Subject + verb <i>to be</i> + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement. Carla <b>is talking</b> on the phone at the moment.
Negative	Subject + <i>don't / doesn't</i> + verb + complement. He <b>doesn't play</b> football.	Subject + verb <i>to be</i> + not + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement. They <b>aren't watching</b> TV.
Yes / No questions	<i>Do / Does</i> + Subject + Verb + complement? <b>Does</b> she <b>play</b> tennis once a week?	Verb <i>to be</i> + subject + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement? <b>Are</b> you <b>doing</b> your homework right now?
Wh- questions	<i>Wh-</i> word + <i>do / does</i> + subject + verb + complement? Where <b>do</b> you <b>study</b> ?	<i>Wh-</i> word + verb <i>to be</i> + subject + verb with <i>-ing</i> ending + complement? What <b>are</b> you <b>doing</b> ?

- We use simple present for habits, repeated actions, true facts, instructions, and schedules.
- We use present progressive for actions happening at or around the time of speaking, and continuing actions.