

Bahan Ajar:

Present continuous dan present simple 1

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Recap

Keys to success in learning English:

- Take more time (reading, listening, talking practice..)
- Don't be afraid to make mistake
- Make sure to add up your vocabs
- Take an English course (not necessarily)
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Present continuous (I am doing)

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Study this example situation:

Sarah is in her car. She is on her way to work.
She **is driving** to work.

This means: she is driving *now*, at the time of speaking.
The action is not finished.

Am/is/are + -ing is the *present continuous*:

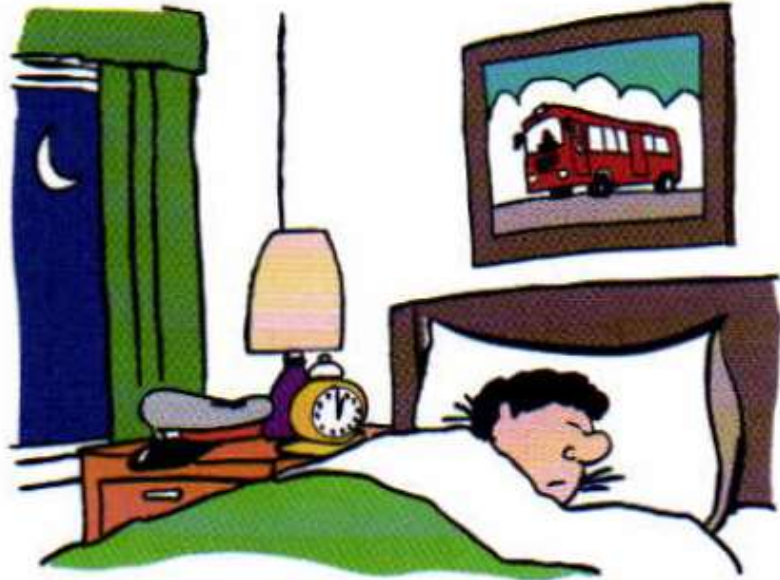
I	am	(= I'm)	driving
he/she/it	is	(= he's etc.)	working
we/you/they	are	(= we're etc.)	doing etc.



Present simple (I do)

A

Study this example situation:



Alex is a bus driver, but now he is in bed asleep.
He is not driving a bus. (He is asleep.)

but He **drives** a bus. (He is a bus driver.)

Drive(s)/work(s)/do(es) etc. is the *present simple*:

I/we/you/they	drive/work/do	etc.
he/she/it	drives/works/does	etc.

C

We use **do/does** to make questions and negative sentences:

do	I/we/you/they	work?	I/we/you/they	don't	work
does	he/she/it	drive?	he/she/it	doesn't	drive
		do?			do

- I come from Canada. Where **do** you **come** from?
- I **don't go** away very often.
- What **does** this word **mean**? (*not* What means this word?)
- Rice **doesn't grow** in cold climates.

In the following examples, **do** is also the main verb (do you **do** / doesn't **do** etc.):

- 'What **do** you **do**?' 'I work in a shop.'
- He's always so lazy. He **doesn't do** anything to help.

Now.....

- Lanjutan: Present continuous dan present simple

Present continuous and present simple 1 (I am doing and I do)

A

Compare:

Present continuous (I am doing)

We use the continuous for things happening at or around the time of speaking. The action is not complete.

I am doing

past

now

future

- The water is **boiling**. Can you turn it off?
- Listen to those people. What language **are they speaking**?
- Let's go out. It **isn't raining** now.
- 'I'm busy.' 'What **are you doing**?'

Present simple (I do)

We use the simple for things in general or things that happen repeatedly.

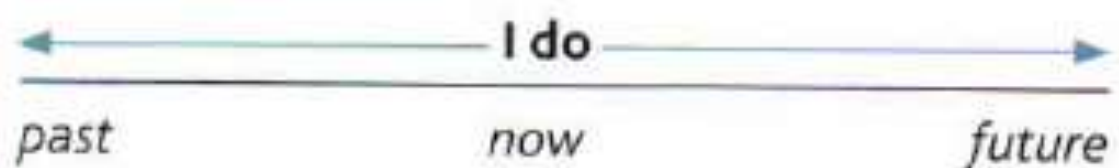
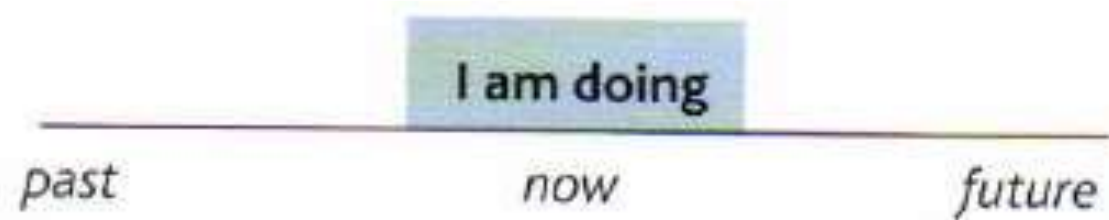
I do

past

now

future

- Water **boils** at 100 degrees Celsius.
- Excuse me, **do you speak** English?
- It **doesn't rain** very much in summer.
- What **do** you usually **do** at weekends?



- 'I'm busy.' 'What **are** you **doing**?'
- I'm **getting** hungry. Let's go and eat.
- Kate wants to work in Italy, so she's **learning** Italian.
- The population of the world is **increasing** very fast.

We use the continuous for *temporary* situations:

- I'm **living** with some friends until I find a place of my own.
- A: You're **working** hard today.
B: Yes, I have a lot to do.

- What **do** you usually **do** at weekends?
- I always **get** hungry in the afternoon.
- Most people **learn** to swim when they are children.
- Every day the population of the world **increases** by about 200,000 people.

We use the simple for *permanent* situations:

- My parents **live** in London. They have lived there all their lives.
- Joe isn't lazy. He **works** hard most of the time.

B**I always do and I'm always doing**

I always do (something) = I do it every time:

- I **always go** to work by car. (*not I'm always going*)

'**I'm always doing** something' has a different meaning. For example:



I'm always losing things = I lose things very often, perhaps too often, or more often than normal.

More examples:

- You're **always playing** computer games. You should do something more active. (= You play computer games too often)
- Tim is never satisfied. He's **always complaining**. (= He complains too much)

Are the underlined verbs right or wrong? Correct them where necessary.

- 1 Water boils at 100 degrees Celsius.
- 2 The water boils. Can you turn it off?
- 3 Look! That man tries to open the door of your car.
- 4 Can you hear those people? What do they talk about?
- 5 The moon goes round the earth in about 27 days.
- 6 I must go now. It gets late.
- 7 I usually go to work by car.
- 8 'Hurry up! It's time to leave.' 'OK, I come.'

OK

is boiling

is trying

are they talking

OK

It is getting

OK

I am coming

Present continuous and present simple 2 (I am doing and I do)

We use continuous forms for actions and happenings that have started but not finished (they **are eating** / it **is raining** etc.). Some verbs (for example, **know** and **like**) are not normally used in this way. We don't say 'I am knowing' or 'they are liking'; we say 'I **know**', 'they **like**'.

The following verbs are not normally used in the present continuous:

like	want	need	prefer				
know	realise	suppose	mean	understand	believe	remember	
belong	fit	contain	consist	seem			

- I'm hungry. I **want** something to eat. (*not* I'm wanting)
- Do** you **understand** what I **mean**?
- Anna **doesn't seem** very happy at the moment.

B**Think**

When **think** means 'believe' or 'have an opinion', we do not use the continuous:

- I **think** Mary is Canadian, but I'm not sure. (*not* I'm thinking)
- What **do** you **think** of my plan? (= What is your opinion?)

When **think** means 'consider', the continuous is possible:

- I'm **thinking** about what happened. I often **think** about it.
- Nicky **is thinking** of giving up her job. (= she is considering it)

C**See hear smell taste**

We normally use the present simple (not continuous) with these verbs:

- Do** you **see** that man over there? (*not* Are you seeing)
- This room **smells**. Let's open a window.

We often use **can** + **see/hear/smell/taste**:

- I can hear** a strange noise. **Can** you **hear** it?

D**Look feel**

You can use the present simple or continuous to say how somebody looks or feels now:

- You **look** well today. *or* You're **looking** well today.
- How **do** you **feel** now? *or* How **are** you **feeling** now?

but

- I usually **feel** tired in the morning. (*not* I'm usually feeling)

E He is selfish and He is being selfish

He's **being** = He's behaving / He's acting. Compare:

- I can't understand why he's **being** so selfish. He isn't usually like that.
(**being** selfish = behaving selfishly at the moment)
- He never thinks about other people. He **is** very selfish. (*not* He is being)
(= He is selfish generally, not only at the moment)

We use **am/is/are being** to say how somebody is *behaving*. It is not usually possible in other sentences:

- It's hot today. (*not* It is being hot)
- Sarah **is** very tired. (*not* is being tired)

Put the verb into the correct form, present continuous or present simple.

1 Are you hungry? *Do you want* (you / want) something to eat?

2 Don't put the dictionary away. *I am using* (I / use) it.

3 Don't put the dictionary away. *I need* (I / need) it.

4 Who is that man? What *does he want* (he / want)?

5 Who is that man? Why *is he looking* (he / look) at us?

6 Alan says he's 80 years old, but nobody *believes* (believe) him.

7 She told me her name, but *I do not remember* (I / not / remember) it now.

8 *I am thinking* (I / think) of selling my car. Would you be interested in buying it?

9 *I think* (I / think) you should sell your car. *You do not use*

(you / not / use) it very often.

10 Air *consists* (consist) mainly of nitrogen and oxygen.

Are the underlined verbs right or wrong? Correct them where necessary.

- 1 Nicky is thinking of giving up her job.
- 2 Are you believing in God?
- 3 I'm feeling hungry. Is there anything to eat?
- 4 This sauce is great. It's tasting really good.
- 5 I'm thinking this is your key. Am I right?

OK

Do you believe

OK (I feel is also correct)

It tastes

I think

Thank you!!!

