

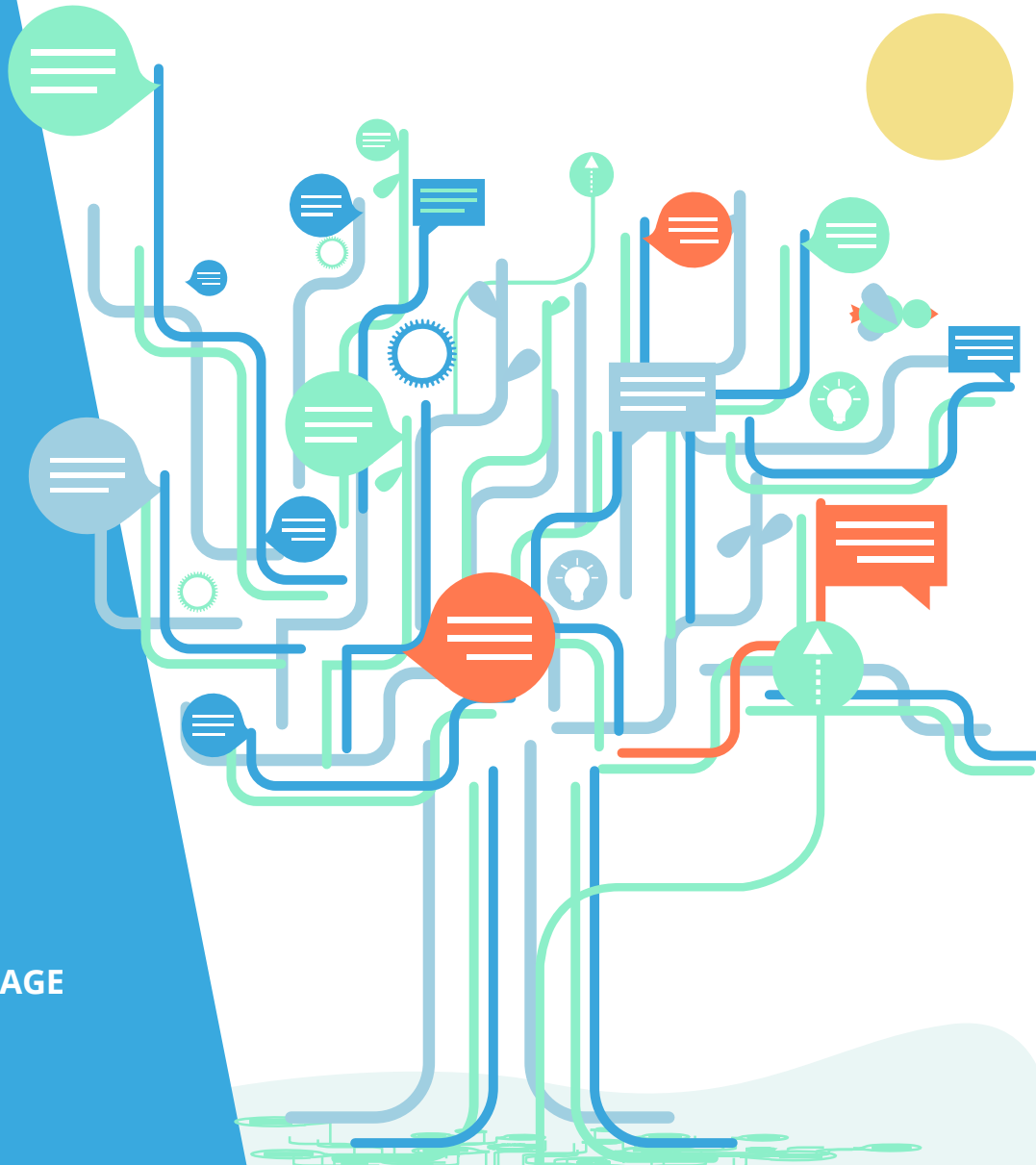
The present continuous: part I

GRAMMAR

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Beginner

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English



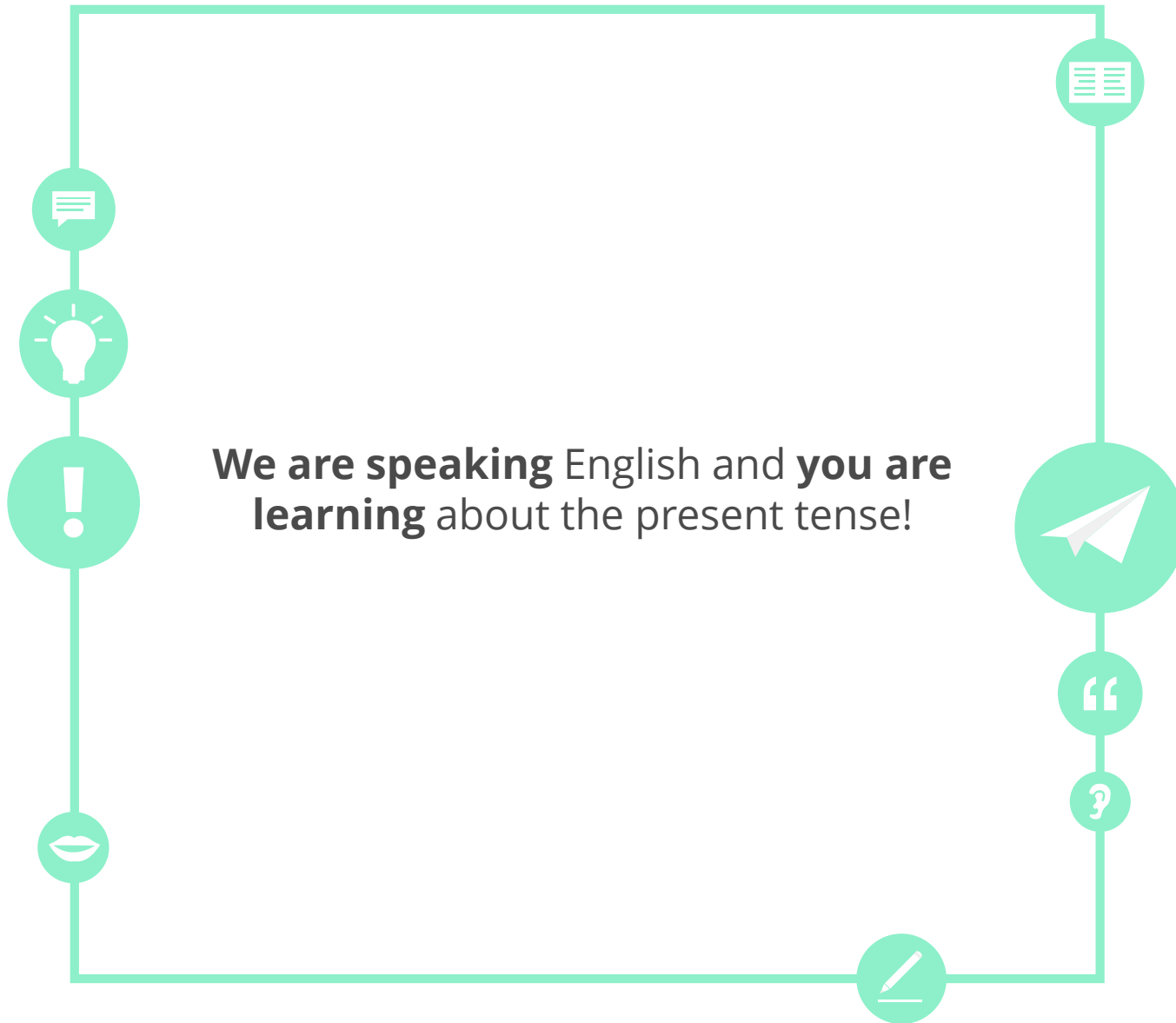


Goals

- Learn about the present continuous
- Practise forming and using the present continuous



We are speaking English and **you are learning** about the present tense!





Present continuous in the singular

- The present continuous is a combination of **to be** and another **verb + ing**
- Below are examples with singular personal pronouns using the verb **to read**
 - Only the form of the verb **to be** changes

Personal Pronoun	to be	verb + ing
I	am	reading
you	are	reading
he	is	reading
she	is	reading
it	is	reading



Present continuous in the plural

- Below are examples of the present continuous in the plural
- The verb form is the same for any plural pronoun. The examples below are with the verb **to go**

Personal Pronoun	to be	verb + ing
we	are	going
you (plural)	are	going
they	are	going



Present or present continuous?

	PRESENT CONTINUOUS	PRESENT
1. I am going to school today.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. You eat fruit for breakfast.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. I love to play football.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. They are eating vegetables.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. He is reading a book.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Match the pronoun to the correct verb

I...

are reading.

We...

is going.

She...

am writing.



Finish the sentence

1. I...

a. are reading a book.

2. He...

b. eating cookies.

3. You...

c. is speaking English.

4. They are...

d. am drinking coffee.



Both forms of the present

- Now you know two forms of the present: the **present simple** and the **present continuous**
- We use the **present continuous** to talk about things that are happening right now

Present Simple	Present Continuous
I eat.	I am eating .
You walk.	You are walking .
He drives a car.	He is driving a car.



Negative present continuous

To make the present continuous negative, add **not** after the verb **to be**.

Positive	Negative
I am walking.	I am not walking.
She is reading a book.	She is not reading a book.
They are learning.	They are not learning.



What is the family doing?



1. They _____ dinner.
2. Lots of _____ is on the table.
3. They are _____ around the table.
4. The little boy _____.



food

are eating

is smiling

sitting



Match the sentence to the picture

1. They are talking.

2. She is smiling.

3. It is raining.

4. They are watching TV.



A



B



C



D



Rewrite the sentences using the present continuous

1. I read a good book.

→ I am reading a good book.

2. They cook dinner.

→ _____

3. It rains.

→ _____

4. They eat.

→ _____



Describe what is happening in the picture

Make sentences using the present continuous.





Describe what is happening in the picture

What is he doing? What is she doing?





Describe what is happening in the picture

What are they doing?





Describe what is happening in the picture

Are they eating? Is someone drinking? What are they doing?





Describe what is happening in the picture

What are they drinking?





Speaking practice

- Describe three things you are doing right now using the present continuous!

Example: I am reading...

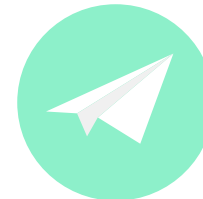


Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no

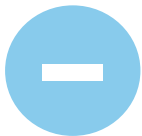
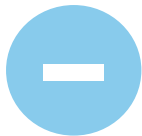




Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

Exercise p.6
1. Yes 2. No 3. No 4. Yes 5. Yes

Exercise p.7

I am writing.
We are reading.
She is going.

Exercise p.8
1. D 2. C 3. A 4. B

Exercise p.11

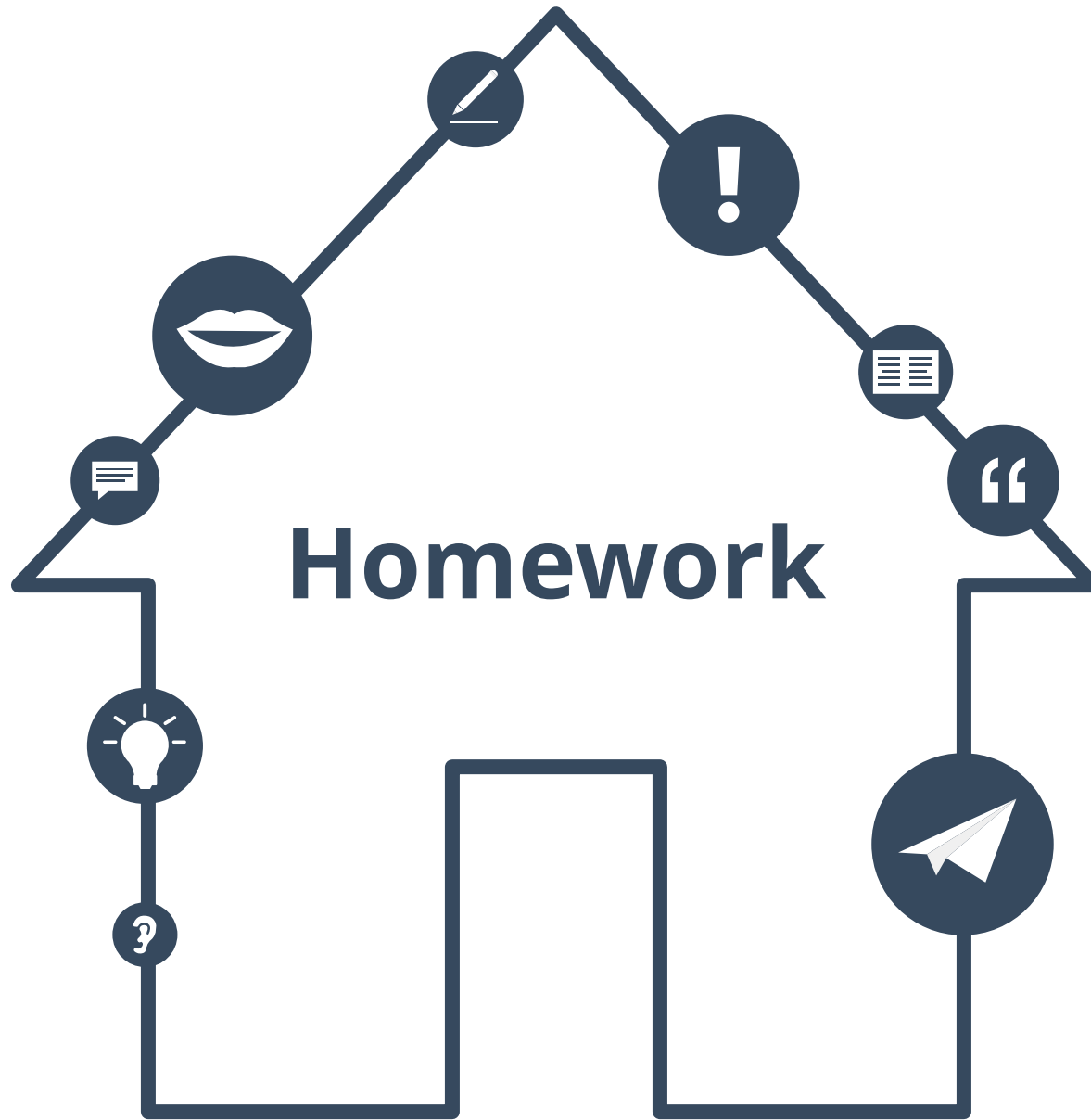
1. They are eating dinner
2. Lots of food is on the table.
3. They are sitting around the table.
4. The little boy is smiling.

Exercise p.12

1. C 2. A 3. B 4. D

Exercise p.13

2. They are cooking dinner.
3. It is raining.
4. They are eating.





Complete the sentence

1. I eat fruit...

a. am drinking tea.

2. I am reading...

b. a book about dogs.

3. You are...

c. every day.

4. They...

d. learning French.

5. He...

e. are speaking the same language.

6. I...

f. is shopping for vegetables.

7. It...

g. is raining today.



Find the verbs

**Find the verbs in this lesson and write them down.
Which are new? Do you know all of them?
Look these words up.**

Verbs



Sentences in the first person plural

**Choose five sentences from this lesson.
Copy them and write them about you and a friend.**





Examples:





I don't understand



→ My friend Maria and I don't understand.



He has a book



→ We have a book





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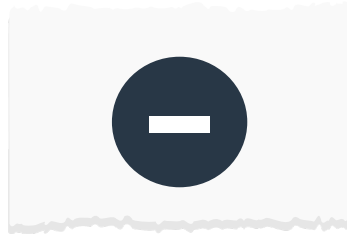




Easy or difficult?

Is the grammar topic of this lesson...
easy or difficult?

Write down what is difficult for you and what is easy.

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Homework answer key

I eat fruit every day.
I am reading a book about dogs.
You are learning French.
They are speaking the same language.
He is shopping for vegetables.
I am drinking tea.
It is raining today.



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