

PRESENT CONTINUOUS TENSE



S + am/is/are + V-ing +....

He is playing.

S + am/is/are (not) + V-ing +....

He isn't playing.

Am/is/are + S + V-ing +...?

Is he playing?

Usage

Describe something which is happening at the exact moment of speech.

Describe an action that is taking place now but not at the exact moment of speech.

Describe an event planned in the future.
(informal)

To describe a temporary situation.

To emphasize the frequency of an action.

To describe changing situations.

Example

Jim is watching television at the moment.

John is working in London.

I'm taking my French class on Tuesday.

I'm staying with a friend for a few days.

That child is always crying for no good reason.

Her health is improving by leaps and bounds.