

9. PRESENT CONTINUOUS (PRESENTE SIMPLE)

GRAMÁTICA INGLESA PARTE 9

9.1. Forma

Para formar el presente continuo utilizaremos junto al sujeto su forma correspondiente del verbo 'be' y después el verbo principal en gerundio, esto es, acabado en '-ing'.

Affirmative

I **am** writing
You **are** writing
He/She/It **is** writing
We **are** writing
You **are** writing
They **are** writing

Negative

I **am not** writing
You **aren't** writing
He/She/It **isn't** writing
We **aren't** writing
You **aren't** writing
They **aren't** writing

Interrogative

Am I writing?
Are you writing?
Is He/She/It writing?
Are we writing?
Are you writing?
Are they writing?

9.1.1. Reglas de ortografía del gerundio

Al añadir '-ing' a ciertos verbos se producen algunos cambios ortográficos.

- Los verbos acabados en consonante + 'e' pierden esta vocal al añadir 'ing'.
e.g. leave – leaving / live – living

- Los verbos de una sola sílaba acabados en consonante + vocal + consonante duplican la consonante final.
e.g. stop – stopping / run – running
- Aquellos verbos de 2 ó 3 sílabas acabados en consonante + vocal + consonante, duplican la consonante final si el acento recae en la última sílaba.
e.g. refer – referring / occur – occurring
- Los verbos acabados en vocal + 'l' duplican la 'l' final delante de ' -ing'.
e.g. travel – travelling

El verbo 'to be' se puede contraer con el sujeto en oraciones afirmativas (I'm, you're, he's...) y con 'not' en las negativas (a excepción de la 1ª persona del singular que en negativas no se contrae con 'not' si no con el sujeto. E.g. 'I'm not')

9.2. Uso

Usamos el presente continuo para expresar:

- Acciones que suceden en el momento de hablar, e.g. 'she's speaking on the phone'
- Acciones que están ocurriendo, no necesariamente en el momento de hablar, pero que están en transcurso. E.g. 'I'm studying English this year'.

Planes futuros que han sido confirmados. E.g. 'I'm visiting you this evening'

¡A PRACTICAR!

1) I (run) now.

2) I (talk) now.

3) You (get) hungry now.

4) You (eat) now.

5) We (plan) the vacation now.

6) They (play) the game now.

7) They (stop) the game now.

8) He (swim) in the pool now.

9) He (sleep) in the bed now.

10) She (shop) at the mall now.

¡Psst! Mira aquí solo si te has atascado:

Answers :
1. I am running now. 2. I am talking now. 3. You are getting hungry now. 4. You are eating now. 5. We are planning the vacation now. 6. They are playing the game now. 7. They are stopping the game now. 8. He is swimming in the pool now. 9. He is sleeping in the bed now. 10. She is shopping at the mall now.