### PRESENT CONTINUOUS TENSE

#### **grammar-overview**-

We use "present continuous" when we talk about events that are going on at the time of speaking.

Examples: Look! The girl is riding her bicycle. / I am having my breakfast at the moment. I can't come out. /

The students are writing the summary of the reading text now. / Be quiet! The baby is sleeping.

We use "present continuous" when we talk about a period of time close to present.

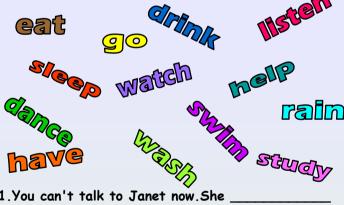
Examples: Our football team isn't playing well this season. / She is preparing the project today. / We're having a lot of meetings this week. / Mark is working in China this month.

#### **Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets**

| 1.I'm in a very big 1               | forest now.The birds      |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| (sing) and the ants _               | (carry) food.             |  |
| 2.Sally                             | (dry) her hair now.       |  |
| 3.Two men                           | (walk) in the street now. |  |
| 4.Brian                             | (play) the guitar at the  |  |
| moment.                             |                           |  |
| 5.Steven and Rachel                 | (cook) the dinner         |  |
| in the kitchen.It smells wonderful. |                           |  |
| 6.My father                         | (read) his newspaper and  |  |
| my mother                           | (write) a letter to her   |  |
| sister at the moment                | t.                        |  |
| 7. You're                           | _ (study) hard this term. |  |
|                                     |                           |  |

| ı  | 8. Look! The Browns (move) to another            |   |  |
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|  | o.Look: The browns (move) to another             |   |  |
| ı  | city.Let's go and help them carry the furniture. |   |  |
| •  | 9. The children (play) in the garden.            |   |  |
|  | 10. Our boss (have) a meeting at the             |   |  |
| moment.Can you wait for a short time?  11.I (solve) a very difficult Maths |  |   |  |
|  |  | ı | problem.I can't listen to you at the moment. |
| •  | 12. The girls (organize) a surprise party        |   |  |
|  | for Joseph at the moment.                        |   |  |
| I  | 13.Be careful! A dog (run) toward us.            |   |  |
| _  | 14.Don't make noise! The teacher                 |   |  |
|  | (talk) about an important subject                |   |  |

## Complete the sentences with a suitable verb below



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| 1. You can't talk to Janet now. She |  |  |  |
| in her bedroom.                     |  |  |  |
| 2. Look at the weath                | er.ItTake your   |  |  |
| umbrella with you.                  |  |  |  |
| 3. The children                     | a cartoon on TV now.   |  |  |
| 4.She                               | to music and in her  |  |  |
| room at the moment.                 |  |  |  |
| 5.0h, Mary! Where _                 | ? To school or   |  |  |
| tothe library?                      |  |  |  |
| 6.Larry and Peter _                 | hamburgers and   |  |  |
| coke in the school cafeteria now.   |  |  |  |
| 7.My mother                         | the dishes and my sister   |  |  |
|                                     | in the kitchen at the moment.  |  |  |
| 8.I'm                               | for my university exam this year   |  |  |
| 9.We                                | in the lake at the moment.The  |  |  |
|                                     |  |  |  |

problems with her classmates

water is warm and nice.

this semester. Nobody likes her.

10.Helen

# **Unscramble the words**and make sentences

- 1. a lorry / man / a / now / drive / tall
- 2. clean / her / at the moment / Mrs. Gatsby /house
- 3.internet cafe / go to / the children / now
- 4.water / in the garden / my father / the flowers
- 5.letter / I / my  $\alpha unt$  / at the moment / write
- 6.dolls / play / Susan / with / home / at / now
- 7.park / Clark / car / in the / his / at the moment
- 8. on / the baby / sit / the floor / play / and / now
- 9. nice / a / tell / the teacher / story / now
- 10.now / read / in the / Betty / a book / library
- 11.barn / milk / Fanny / now / the cows / in the
- 12.iron / I / shirts / at the moment / and / ties
- 13. the zoo / watching / we / in / the animals / now
- 14. the letters / now / deliver / the postman