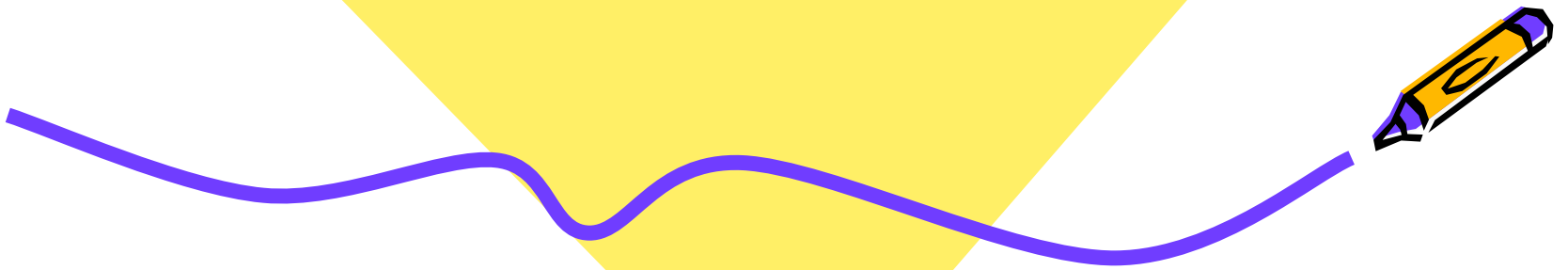
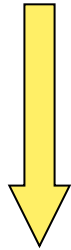




**Present Simple
and
Present Continuous**

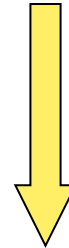


I **teach** English.

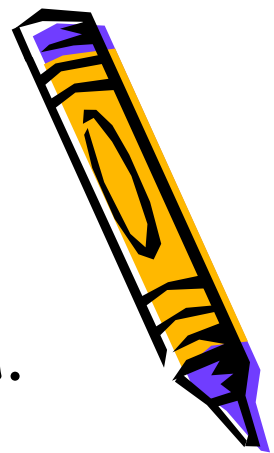


This is my job.

I **am teaching** English.



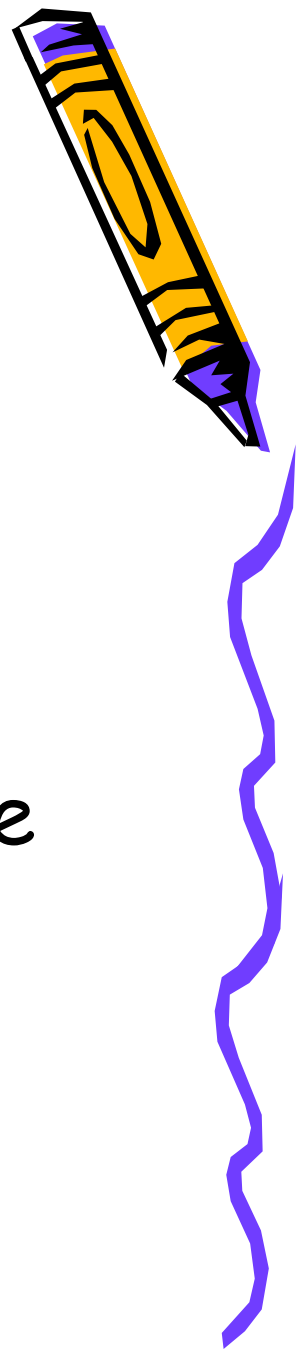
This is what I am doing at
the moment. I am
teaching you English.



Let's continue with some
more examples.....

They *live* in the USA.

I *am studying* for the exams these
days.



What's the difference?

They live in the USA.

means that they live in the USA all the time. It is a permanent state.



What's the difference?

I **am studying** for the exams these days.

means that I am studying only these several days. The action is taking place only for a short period of time.



How do we form PRESENT SIMPLE?



I

YOU

WE

THEY

live

but

HE

SHE lives

IT

I live in the USA.

She studies architecture.



The verb BE

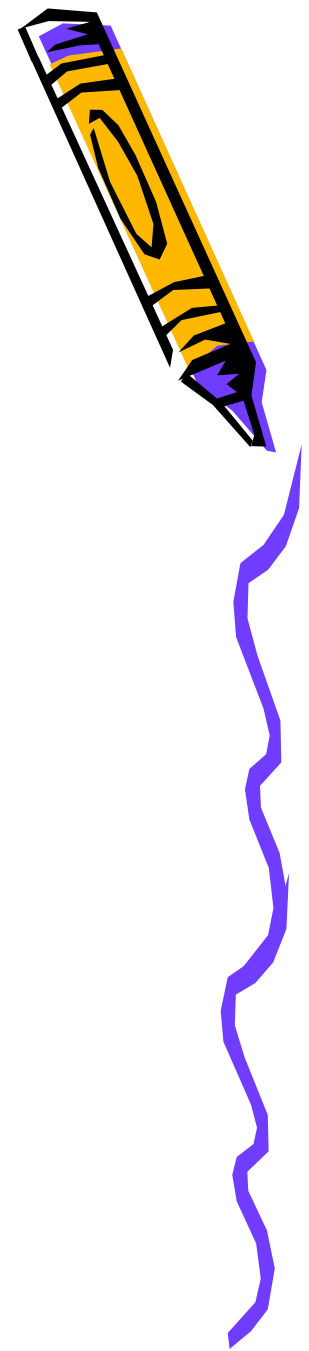
Remember the forms of the verb BE for the Present Simple tense:

I	AM
HE, SHE, IT	IS
WE, YOU, THEY	ARE

I **am** a teacher and you **are** students.



Negative forms



For all verbs (EXCEPT BE) use:

don't

+ verb

doesn't

I **live** in the USA. → I **don't live** in the USA.
(do not)

She **studies** architecture. → She **doesn't study**
architecture. (does not)



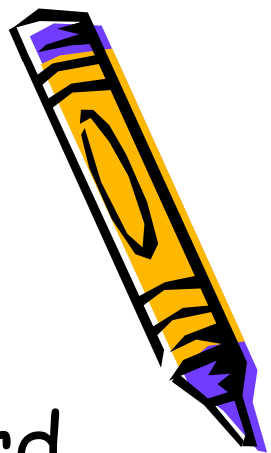
Negative BE

For the verb BE simply add the word **NOT** after the verb

I **am** tired. → I **am not** tired.

She **is** rich. → She **is not** rich.

They **are** here. → They **are not** here.



Questions and short answers

We form questions by putting auxiliary **do** or **does** or any form of the verb **BE** before the subject:

Do you **live** in the USA? Yes, I **do**. / No, I **don't**.

Does she **study** medicine? Yes, she **does**. / No, she **doesn't**.

Are they friends? Yes, they **are**. / No they **aren't**.

We use PRESENT SIMPLE...

1. For facts or things that are always or generally true.

Water **boils** at 100 C.

It **rains** a lot in Lithuania.

The sky **is** blue.



We use PRESENT SIMPLE...



2. For situations that are (more or less) permanent.

I **live** in New York.

John **works** in a bank.

Lisa **studies** architecture.



We use PRESENT SIMPLE...



3. For things we do regularly: hobbies, habits and routines.

Every day I **get up** at 7:30.

I **have** a shower and **eat** breakfast.

Then I **take** the train to work.

Every Thursday I **play** basketball.



We use PRESENT SIMPLE...

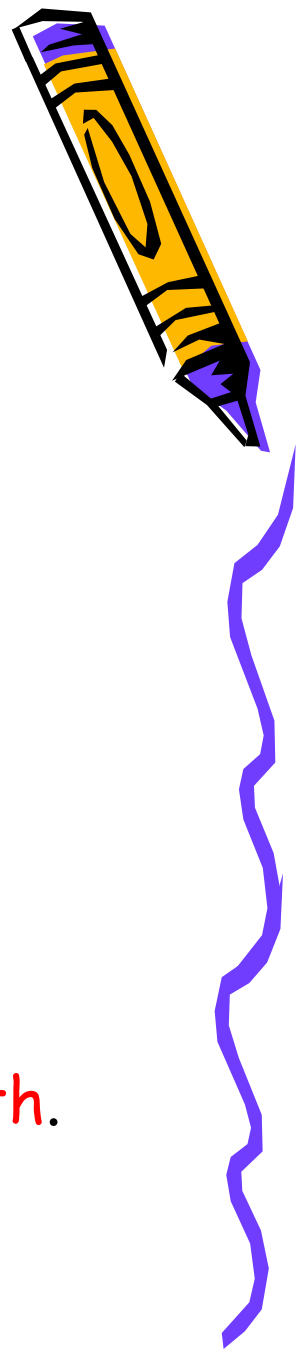
4. For actions that are scheduled.

The train **leaves** at 9 p.m.

The lessons **start** at 8 o'clock in the morning.



Adverbs of frequency and time phrases



Always

Often

Usually

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Once a week

Twice a month

Every day

Four times a year

Every Tuesday

I **never** go to the cinema alone.

My grandmother sees her doctor **twice a month**.



How do we form PRESENT CONTINUOUS?

The Present Continuous Tense

Subject + verb to BE + verb + ING

I	am	eating.
You	are	playing.
He	is	singing.
She	is	studying.
It	is	travelling.
We	are	talking.
You	are	shouting.
They	are	reading.

Negative forms and questions



- Are you eating? I am not eating.
- Is she singing? She is not singing.
- Are they reading? They are not reading.



We use PRESENT CONTINUOUS...

1. For actions happening now, at the moment of speaking.

It **is raining** outside.

He can't pick up the phone. He **is having** a shower now.



We use PRESENT CONTINUOUS...

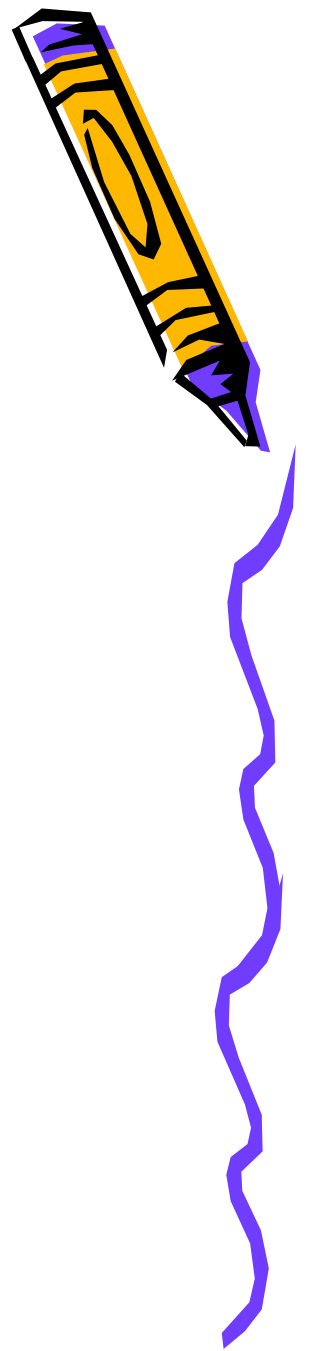
2. For temporary actions

We **are looking** for a new house at the moment.

They **are painting** the fence.



We use PRESENT CONTINUOUS...



3. For fixed arrangements (plans) in the near future.

I **am going out** with him tonight.

We **are flying** to Paris tomorrow morning.



We use PRESENT CONTINUOUS...

4. For currently changing and developing situations.

The Earth **is getting** hotter and hotter.

The winters in Lithuania **are becoming** warmer and warmer.

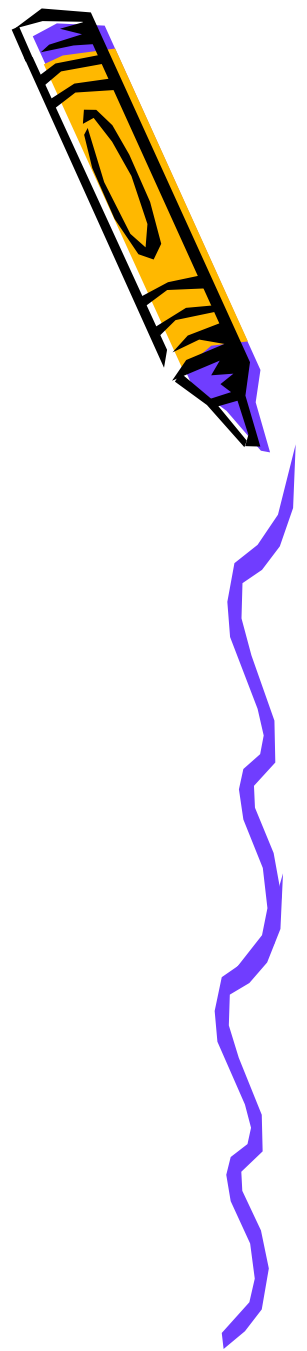
The prices **are increasing** all the time.



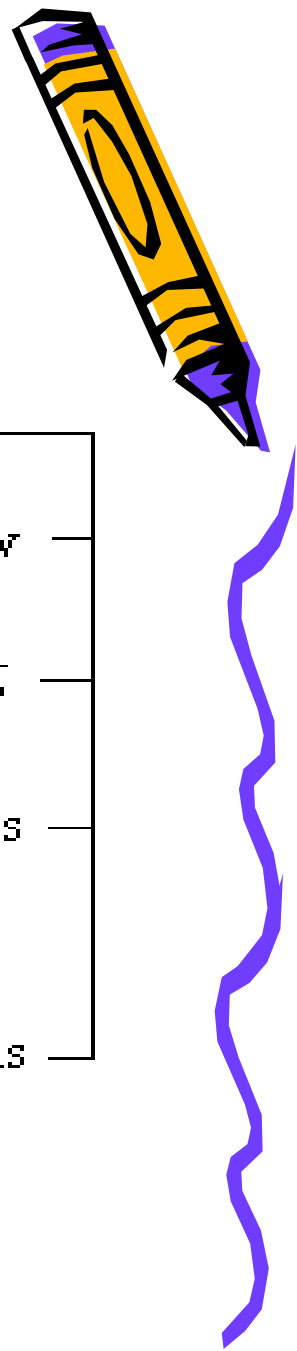
Time expressions we use with PRESENT CONTINUOUS

now, at the moment, at present,
these days, nowadays, today, tonight

My mother is cooking **at the moment**.
I am going dancing **tonight**.



Let's revise



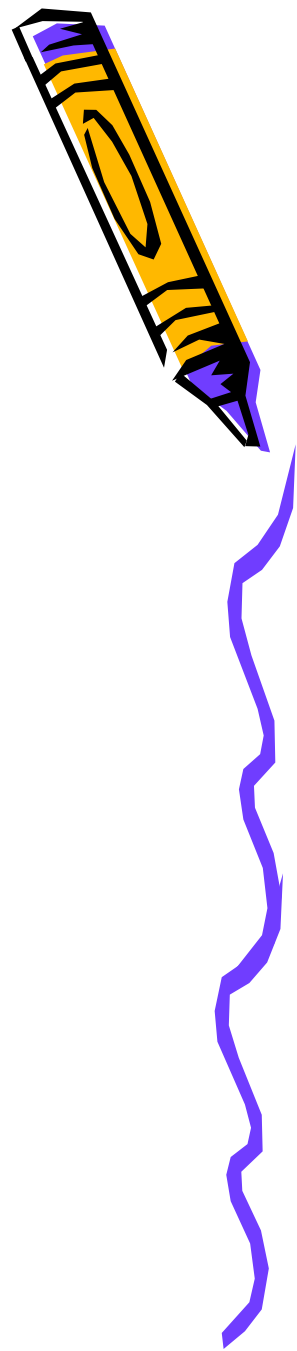
Present Simple	Present Continuous
general truths	what is happening now
routines and habits	changing/ developing situations
permanent situations	temporary situations
timetables	fixed future plans



Practice

Choose the correct form Present Simple or Present Continuous:

1. I **live/ am living** in New York.
2. She **is reading/ reads** a book now.
3. I **don't like / am not liking** football.
4. Every day **we go/ are going** to school.
5. It **rains/ is raining** outside.
6. **Do you ride/ Are you riding** a bicycle every morning?
7. I usually **am going/ go** to bed late.
8. He **is staying/ stays** at the hotel these days.
9. The Sun **rises / is rising** in the East.
10. We **are traveling/ travel** to London next week.



Complete the sentences

He about buying a house.

I next week off.

We always at the Sofitel when we go to Lyon.

a wireless network in your office?

He at the conference next week.

She with friends over the holidays.

We it's a good idea.

I a vitamin supplement every day.

She a baby very soon.

He French and German fluently.

's thinking

take

stay

's having

don't think

's staying

's speaking

'm taking

Do you have

speaks



Thank you for
attention!

Good luck with
English Grammar!

