



English Language II

Class: 2

New Headway Plus

Pre-Intermediate Level

A course is taught by

Asst . Lec. Kawther falah

Present Progressive (the present continuous)

- The **present progressive**, also known as **the present continuous** tense, is formed with the **verb** be and **-ing** form of the main verb. We use this tense to talk about actions that are in progress at the time of speaking and temporary actions. We can also use the present progressive to talk about future arrangements and plans.

Subject + helping verb (is / am/ are) + main verb (ing) + object.

Present Continuous Tense

A present continuous tense is a verb form of a sentence that tells about the ongoing action, events, or something that has happened around us.



Subject + am/is/are + verb (ing) + object

You are dancing on the stage.



Subject + am/is/are + not + verb (ing) + object

You are not dancing on the stage.



am/is/are subject + verb (ing) + object + ?

Are you dancing on the stage?

Use

We use the present progressive tense to describe:

1- Actions that are taking place at the present moment, i.e. now

Look! James **is taking** a picture of another tourist.

2- predetermined plans or appointments that have been made for the near future.

He **is meeting** his friend Brad tonight.

3- Actions that are only happening temporarily

Brad **is working** there as a tour guide over the summer.

4- Actions that are currently happening, but not at the moment of speaking

He **is staying** at a youth hostel.

5- situations that are changing

The town **is becoming** more and more popular because of its beautiful beaches.

Signal Words: English Present Progressive Tense

■ Adverbs can help us decide which tense to use. The adverbs for the present progressive are:

- ✓ **at the moment**
- ✓ **now, just now, right now**
- ✓ **Listen!**
- ✓ **Look!**

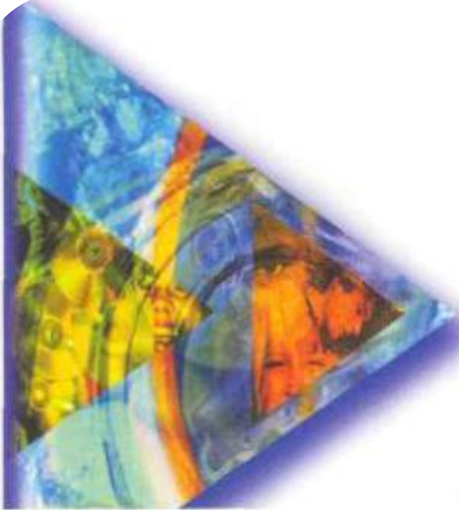
Examples/sentences of Present Continuous Tense

1. You are dancing on the stage. (*positive*)
2. You are not dancing on the stage. (*negative*)
3. Are you dancing on the stage? (*question*)
4. Yes, you are dancing on the stage. (*short answer*)

Complete the following sentence by using the appropriate verb form to make it a Present continuous sentence.

(go, drive, behave, play, come, look, stay, wait, work, increase)

1. Thomas _____ at my company.
2. They _____ a football match.
3. I _____ for a new manager for my office.
4. _____ they _____ from Las Vegas to participate in the cultural fest?
5. She _____ with her colleague in a hostel.
6. You _____ like a mature person. (not)
7. The pollution of this city _____ day by day. We have to do something.
8. _____ you _____ to punish me?
9. I _____ my vehicle in the wrong lane.
10. Ryan and Jayson both _____ for the train.



2

The way we live

Present tenses • *have/have got* • Collocation – daily life • Making conversation

PEOPLE AND PLACES

Present tenses and *have/have got*

- 1 Read the texts. Match a country from the Starter with a text and a photograph. Complete the texts with the words from the boxes.

a

exports enjoy immigrants huge

This country has quite a small population, just 16 million, but the country is _____. The people are mainly of European descent, but there are also aborigines and a lot of south-east Asian _____. People live in towns on the coast, not so much inland, because it is so hot. They live a lot of their lives outdoors, and _____ sports, swimming, and having barbecues. This country _____ wine and wool – it has more than 60 million sheep!

b

favourite variety has only

This is the second biggest country in the world, but it has a population of ____ 30 million. It is so big that there is a ____ of climates. Most people live in the south because the north is too cold. It is famous for its beautiful mountains and lakes – it ____ more lakes than any other country. Their ____ sports are baseball and ice hockey.

c

elephants grows black climate

This country has a population of about 45 million. Of these, 76 per cent are _____ and 12 per cent white. It has a warm _____. Either it never rains, or it rains a lot! It is the world's biggest producer of gold, and it exports diamonds, too. It _____ a lot of fruit, including oranges, pears, and grapes, and it makes wine. In the game reserves you can see a lot of wildlife, including lions, _____, zebras, and giraffes.

Check it

6 Tick (✓) the correct sentence.

- 1 Where you go on holiday?
 Where do you go on holiday?
- 2 Do you have any children?
 Do you have got any children?
- 3 I'm Hans. I'm coming from Germany.
 I'm Hans. I come from Germany.

- 4 This is a great party! Everyone is dancing.
 This is a great party! Everyone dances.
- 5 I don't have a mobile phone.
 I no have a mobile phone.
- 6 Jack's a policeman, but he doesn't wear a uniform.
 Jack's a policeman, but he no wear a uniform.
- 7 'Where is José?' 'He's sitting by the window.'
 'Where is José?' 'He sits by the window.'
- 8 I'm liking black coffee.
 I like black coffee.

VOCABULARY

Daily life

1 Match the verbs and nouns.

have	a film on TV
wash	to my friends
watch	my hair
talk	breakfast

make	to music
listen	my homework
relax	a cup of tea
do	on the sofa

have	posters on the wall
clear up	the mess
do	a shower
have/put	the washing-up

cook	magazines
go	a meal
put on	make-up
read	to the toilet

READING AND SPEAKING

Living in the USA

- 1 Close your eyes and think of the United States. Write down the first five things you think of.

The Empire State Building
Cheeseburger and fries

Compare your list with other students.

- 2 Read the introduction to the magazine article. Then work in three groups.

Group A Read about Roberto.

Group B Read about Endre.

Group C Read about Yuet Tung.

- 3 Answer the questions.

- 1 Why and when did he/she come to the US?
- 2 What does he/she do?
- 3 What does he/she like about living in the US?
- 4 What was difficult at the beginning?

LIVING IN

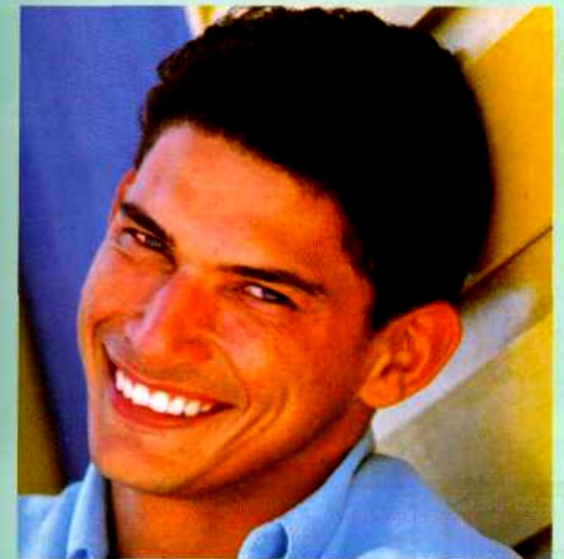


The people of the United States are nearly all immigrants, or descendants of immigrants. It is a young country, and much of the population has relatives who live in other parts of the world.

But how do they find the US when they first arrive? What do they think of the people, the culture, the way of life?

Jamie Peterson spoke to three of them.

Roberto came from Acapulco to New York ten years ago. At first he missed everything – the sunshine, the food, his girlfriend. But now he has a successful business with his three brothers and his sister. They run a soccer store in New Brunswick. Roberto's girlfriend is now his wife, and they have two children who go to American schools.



Roberto Solano
aged 24, from Mexico

When asked why he came to the US, Roberto says without hesitation, 'Because I want to work hard and be successful.' He certainly works hard. He's at the store all day, then works as a driver in the evening. 'That's why I like America,' he says. 'You can be what you want.'

Endre is a mathematician at Rutgers University, New Jersey. He came from Budapest thirteen years ago. 'I had an opportunity to come here for two years.' After a year, his wife came to join him, and since then they've had a daughter, so they decided to stay.

'At first it was very strange. Everything is so big here,' he says. 'I started to feel happy when I bought a car. Now I go everywhere by car. In Hungary, we only use the car at weekends, but here your car is part of your life. Nobody walks anywhere.'



Endre Boros
aged 45, from Hungary

How does he find the people?

'Very friendly. The first question everybody asks you is "Where are you from?" People talk to you here, they start conversations. I like the fact that there are people from all over the world.'

What about the way of life? 'The thing I like best is the independence. Nobody tells me what to do. Here you can do what you want, so you learn to make decisions for yourself. I feel in control.'

Yuet Tung is her Chinese name, but in English she's known as Clara. She came to the US eight years ago and studied fine art. Now she works on Madison Avenue for a publisher. She married a Vietnamese American three years ago, and they live in Long Island. They don't have any children yet.

What does she think of living in New York? 'It's very similar to Hong Kong. It's a busy city, very exciting, and people walk very fast! I like the stores here. They're huge, and it's cheaper than Hong Kong. But you



Yuet Tung
aged 31, from Hong Kong

need a car here. In Hong Kong everyone uses public transportation, because it's good and it's cheap. At first I hated driving here, but it's OK now.'

What does she like best? 'The space. Here I live in a house with a yard. In Hong Kong it is so crowded. And the people are friendly. When I go jogging, everyone says "Hi!" And the food is from every country in the world.'

vocabulary

- Radiation
- Industrial refrigeration
- Humidity
- Relevant humidity
- Fan
- Air sterilizer
- Filter
- Air dryer
- Duct
- Pressure
- Machine