

## Grammar Lesson 12 : Present Progressive Tense

### A. Complete each sentence with the present progressive form of the verb in parentheses ().

1. Martin \_\_\_\_\_ (cook) dinner for ten people tonight!
2. Sorry, I can't help you. I \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) my homework.
3. The dogs \_\_\_\_\_ (run) in the park.
4. We don't want to go outside since it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain).
5. Kya \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) English online.
6. The plants \_\_\_\_\_ (grow) very quickly.
7. The mechanic \_\_\_\_\_ (fix) my car.
8. She \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) with her teacher.
9. The birds \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) into the trees.
10. They \_\_\_\_\_ (play) tennis outside.
11. He \_\_\_\_\_ (make) coffee for us.
12. I \_\_\_\_\_ (wait) for someone to help me.
13. We \_\_\_\_\_ (move) into a new apartment.
14. My mother \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep), so we should be quiet.
15. Sssh! I \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to think!
16. Ryan \_\_\_\_\_ (get) a haircut.
17. The children \_\_\_\_\_ (not listening).
18. Take this chair. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not use) it.
19. He looks sick. He \_\_\_\_\_ (not eat) his lunch.
20. You can use your phone if you \_\_\_\_\_ (not drive).

### B. Make questions in the present progressive form using the subject and verb in parentheses.

1. Excuse me, \_\_\_\_\_ (anyone, sit) here?
2. I can't hear that woman. \_\_\_\_\_ (she, call) my name?
3. What a nice hotel! How long \_\_\_\_\_ (you, stay) here?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ (they, take) photos at the beach?

5. Oh, you're on the phone. Who \_\_\_\_\_ (you, talk) to?
6. You look busy. What \_\_\_\_\_ (you, do)?
7. William is in his room. \_\_\_\_\_ (he, do) his homework?
8. She's still at the office. \_\_\_\_\_ (she, work) late tonight?
9. What a beautiful cake! \_\_\_\_\_ (you, celebrate) someone's birthday?
10. The kids have left. Where \_\_\_\_\_ (they, go) ?

**C. Complete the sentences using the correct verb tense. Should you use present simple, simple past, or present progressive?**

1. Cheryl \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very busy. She \_\_\_\_\_ (write) a 20-page history paper.
2. Doug \_\_\_\_\_ (read) the news every morning.
3. Doug \_\_\_\_\_ (read) a book with his children in the living room.
4. Sshh, I \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) something. Someone's phone \_\_\_\_\_ (ring).
5. Kiki \_\_\_\_\_ (take) a shower.
6. Last week we \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) New Orleans.
7. We \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) New Orleans next month.
8. I won't eat that cake because I \_\_\_\_\_ (not, like) chocolate.
9. He \_\_\_\_\_ (be) angry with his sister because he \_\_\_\_\_ (think) she \_\_\_\_\_ (behave) badly.
10. This month we \_\_\_\_\_ (take) a new yoga class.
11. Every summer she \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) to Senegal to see her father.
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13. Look outside! It \_\_\_\_\_ (snow)! It's so pretty.
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