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Explanations

We use the present continuous to talk about actions happening at the moment.

Statements

I am sitting in my car. She's watching television.

<i>I am waiting.</i>	<i>He is waiting.</i>	<i>We are waiting.</i>
<i>I'm waiting.</i>	<i>He's waiting.</i>	<i>We're waiting.</i>
<i>You are waiting.</i>	<i>She is waiting.</i>	<i>They are waiting.</i>
<i>You're waiting.</i>	<i>She's waiting.</i>	<i>They're waiting.</i>
	<i>It is waiting.</i>	
	<i>It's waiting.</i>	

Examples

I'm studying English.
My brother's talking on the telephone now.
We're swimming in the sea.
Sue's reading a book at the moment.

Spelling

Verbs with two vowels and ending in one consonant, add- ing.

wait • *waiting*

Verbs ending in e drop e and add- ing.

make • *making*

decide • *deciding*

write _____ *writing*

Verbs ending with one vowel and one consonant, double the consonant.

sit • *sitting*

swim _____ *swimming*

cut _____ *cutting*

Verbs ending ie, change ie to y.

lie • *lying*

tie _____ *tying*

die _____ *dying*

Verbs ending in a vowel and y, add - ing.

stay • *staying*

play • *playing*

say _____ *saying*