

Activity Type

Vocabulary and Grammar Exercises: word search, gap-fill

Focus

Present continuous affirmative and negative sentences

Aim

To find 20 verbs in a word search and then use the verbs to complete positive and negative present continuous sentences.

Preparation

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Level

Elementary (A1-A2)

Time

20 minutes

Introduction

In this present continuous worksheet, students use 20 verbs to complete positive and negative present continuous sentence pairs.

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

First, students find 20 verbs in the word search and write them in the spaces provided.

Afterwards, check the verbs with the class.

Exercise A - Answer key

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Students then use the verbs to complete positive and negative present continuous sentence pairs.

The first sentence of each pair is negative and the second sentence is positive.

Finally, elicit the correct answers from the class.

Exercise B - Answer key

1. They *aren't driving* to school today. They *are riding* their bikes.
2. He *isn't watching* a film. He *is reading* a book.
3. I *am not cooking* dinner. I *am having* dinner at a restaurant.
4. She *isn't walking* to work. She *is taking* the bus.
5. We *aren't drinking* tea. We *are eating* cakes.
6. He *isn't cleaning* the house. He *is washing* his clothes.
7. They *aren't listening* to music. They *are singing* a song.
8. She *isn't playing* the drums. She *is kicking* the door.
9. He *isn't swimming* in the sea. He *is making* a sandcastle.
10. I *am not telling* him to do it. I *am asking* him.

A. Find 20 verbs in the word search and write them down.



Q	S	I	N	G	H	A	V	E	Y
W	S	W	I	M	R	P	O	A	D
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K	S	D	G	J	D	A	S	K	N
Z	L	E	K	W	A	T	C	H	K
C	O	O	K	C	L	E	A	N	T
X	K	I	C	K	G	W	A	S	H
B	C	V	L	I	S	T	E	N	X
P	L	A	Y	S	M	A	K	E	W
N	K	H	R	E	E	T	E	L	L



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B. Now, use the verbs from the word search to complete the sentence pairs in the present continuous tense. The first sentence of each pair is *negative* and the second sentence is *positive*.

1. They to school today. They their bikes.
2. He a film. He a book.
3. I dinner. I dinner at a restaurant.
4. She to work. She the bus.
5. We tea. We cakes.
6. He the house. He his clothes.
7. They to music. They a song.
8. She the drums. She the door.
9. He in the sea. He a sandcastle.
10. I him to do it. I him.