Activity Type
Miming and speaking activity, group work

Language Focus
Present continuous

Aim
To guess present continuous sentences from mimes

Preparation
Write present continuous 'You are...' sentences on slips of paper, e.g. 'You are eating a pizza.'

Level
Elementary

Time
20 minutes

Introduction
This ESL miming game can be used to practice or review the present continuous tense.

Procedure
Divide the students into two teams.

A student from one team comes to the front of the class and is given a present continuous sentence to mime.

The student asks the class 'What am I doing?' and mimes the sentence on the card.

When a member on either team thinks they know, they give their answer, e.g. 'You are eating a pizza.'

If the team member is correct, they score a point for their team.

If not, the student continues with the mime.

When a sentence has been correctly guessed, a student comes up from the other team and so on.

The first team to ten points wins the game.