

English Teaching Worksheets

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Present Continuous Exercises

Part 1: The sentences on the bottom follow those on the top. Write the letter of the sentence that comes after each numbered sentence.

1. I am extremely busy. __d. __
2. They have been busy in the laboratory all afternoon. _____
3. Why is Sarah playing the piano? _____
4. We aren't going to Biology class at 9 o'clock. _____
5. She looks very focused right now. _____
6. Why are they talking so quietly? _____
7. The construction workers have a new project this week. _____
8. Danny is covered in paint! _____
9. They've been out on the field for three hours already. _____
10. I am worried about the many different kinds of species that might go extinct in the future.

- a. They are preparing a surprise party for their friend's birthday.
- b. He is working on a project for his art class.
- c. The soccer team is training hard for the upcoming tournament.
- d. I am currently studying for my upcoming exams.
- e. The students are participating in a science fair this week.
- f. She is practicing for her recital tomorrow.
- g. We are watching a documentary about wildlife conservation in class.
- h. We are attending a school assembly this morning.
- i. Ms. Simmons is explaining a complex math problem to the class.
- j. They are building a new playground at the park.

Part 2: Write a question using the words given. Use the present continuous tense.

1. Is the swim team competing in the meet today?
(swim team / compete / in the meet / today)
2. _____
(volunteers / clean up / the park / right now)
3. _____
(they / discuss / environmental issues / in the classroom)
4. _____
(the school / organize / a field trip / next week)
5. _____
(she / participate / school debate competition)
6. _____

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- (the teacher / grade / tests / at the moment)
7. _____
(Greg / practice / the guitar / for the talent show)
8. _____
(the actors / rehearse / for the play / tomorrow)
9. _____
(you / study / for the upcoming test)
10. _____
(Cindy / write / an essay / for English class)

Part 3: Circle the correct answer. Use the present continuous tense.

- The chef _____ a delicious meal in the kitchen.
a. are busy preparing b. is busy preparing
c. busy are preparing d. preparing is busy
- _____ a fascinating art exhibition at the museum, so they won't be home until later this afternoon.
a. They are attending b. He is attending
c. They is attending d. I am attending
- The athletes _____ rigorously for the upcoming competition.
a. Is training b. is train
c. will be train d. are training
- All the employees of Acme Incorporated _____ in a team-building workshop this week.
a. is participating b. are participating
c. are participated d. is participated
- Joy _____ her book report that is due next week.
a. are finished b. is finished
c. are finishing d. is finishing
- The team _____ ideas for a new marketing campaign.
a. is brainstorming b. has brainstorming
c. is brainstormed d. are brainstormed
- Mark and Sarah _____ their routine for the dance show.
a. is practicing b. is practiced
c. are practicing d. are practiced
- Ms. Hanson _____ a difficult concept to her students right now, but only a few of them understand it.

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- a. are explaining
- b. is explained
- c. was explaining
- d. is explaining

9. Candace isn't here. She _____ a movie at the movie theater with her friends.

- a. are watching
- b. is watching
- c. is watched
- d. are watched

10. A group of hikers _____ the beautiful trails in the mountains.

- a. are explored
- b. is explored
- c. is exploring
- d. has exploring

Part 4: Look around you. Write three things that are happening right now.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____