

## PRESENT CONTINUOUS EXERCISES

## **Exercise 1: Fill-in-the-Blank**

**Instructions:** Use the word bank below to fill in each blank with the correct present continuous form. Convert the infinitive to its –ing form and use the appropriate auxiliary verb (am/is/are).

#### Word Bank:

to run, to swim, to cook, to write, to paint, to listen, to dance, to drive, to study, to sing

1.	I in the park.				
2.	She in the community pool.				
3.	They dinner at a new restaurant.				
4.	We letters to our pen pals.				
5.	He a mural in his studio.				
6.	You to your favorite song on the radio.				
7.	7. The children at the school dance.				
8.	8. I a car to work today.				
9.	9. They for the upcoming test in the library.				
10. She at the school concert.					

# **Exercise 2: Compose the Sentence**

**Instructions:** Rearrange the jumbled words (separated by slashes) to form a correct present continuous sentence.

- 1. am / I / riding / a / bicycle / to / school
- 2. is / she / playing / the / guitar / in / the / park
- 3. are / they / having / lunch / at / the / cafe
- 4. are / we / watching / a / movie / tonight
- 5. is / he / fixing / his / computer / in / the / office
- 6. am / I / making / a / sandwich / for / breakfast
- 7. are / you / reading / an / interesting / book
- 8. is / it / raining / heavily / outside
- 9. are / they / building / a / new / house / in / town
- 10. are / we / planning / a / surprise / party / for / her



## **Exercise 3: Find the Error**

**Instructions:** Each sentence below has an error in its present continuous formation. Identify the error and rewrite the sentence correctly.

- 1. I running to school.
- 2. She are playing the piano.
- 3. They is eating dinner at the restaurant.
- 4. We studying for the test.
- 5. He am fixing his bike.
- 6. You are cook dinner.
- 7. It raining outside.
- 8. I am write a letter.
- 9. They is watching TV now.
- 10. She dancing in the rain.

# **Exercise 4: Multiple Choice**

**Instructions:** Choose the sentence that correctly uses the present continuous tense.

1.	I my homework right now. a) am doing b) doing c) do d) did
2.	She in the garden now. a) work b) are working c) working d) is working
3.	They a new board game. a) is playing b) are playing c) playing d) play
4.	We a delicious meal in the kitchen.  a) are preparing b) preparing c) prepare d) is preparing
5.	He his car in the driveway.  a) is washing b) are washing c) washing d) wash
6.	You a project at the moment. a) do b) doing c) are doing d) did



7. It outside with a he	•	c) snowing	d) snows			
8. I a video call with a a) having b) an	•	ave d) had				
<ul><li>9. They in the conference room for a meeting.</li><li>a) meet b) is meeting c) meeting d) are meeting</li></ul>						
10. She an interesting story to her children.  a) is telling b) are telling c) telling d) tell						

# **Exercise 5: Compose the Sentence**

**Instructions:** For each question, select one option from each bullet point and then write a complete sentence in the **present continuous tense**.

1.

• Subject: I, We

• Auxiliary: be

Verb: to bake

• Complement: a cake, cookies

2.

· Subject: He, She

• Auxiliary: be

• Verb: to cycle

· Complement: along the river, in the park

3.

Subject: They, You

• Auxiliary: be

• Verb: to grill

Complement: in the backyard, at a barbecue



#### 4.

Subject: I, HeAuxiliary: beVerb: to read

• Complement: a magazine, the newspaper

### 5.

• Subject: We, They

Auxiliary: beVerb: to build

• Complement: a model, a project

#### 6.

• Subject: You, She

Auxiliary: beVerb: to clean

• Complement: the room, the house

### 7.

Subject: He, IAuxiliary: beVerb: to draw

· Complement: a picture, a portrait

#### 8.

• Subject: They, We

Auxiliary: beVerb: to fix

· Complement: a computer, a bike

#### 9.

Subject: I, YouAuxiliary: beVerb: to practice

• Complement: the piano, the violin



## PRESENT CONTINUOUS SOLUTIONS

### **Exercise 1: Fill-in-the-Blank**

(Sample correct answers – alternative valid responses are acceptable)

- 1. I am running in the park.
- 2. She **is swimming** in the community pool.
- 3. They **are cooking** dinner at a new restaurant.
- 4. We are writing letters to our pen pals.
- 5. He **is painting** a mural in his studio.
- 6. You are listening to your favorite song on the radio.
- 7. The children **are dancing** at the school dance.
- 8. I am driving a car to work today.
- 9. They are studying for the upcoming test in the library.
- 10. She is singing at the school concert.

## **Exercise 2: Compose the Sentence**

(One acceptable reordering for each)

- 1. I am riding a bicycle to school.
- 2. She is playing the guitar in the park.
- 3. They are having lunch at the cafe.
- 4. We are watching a movie tonight.
- 5. He is fixing his computer in the office.
- 6. I am making a sandwich for breakfast.
- 7. You are reading an interesting book.
- 8. It is raining heavily outside.
- 9. They are building a new house in town.
- 10. We are planning a surprise party for her.



## **Exercise 3: Find the Error**

(Identify the error and provide the corrected sentence)

1. **Error:** I running to school.

**Correction:** I am running to school.

2. **Error:** She are playing the piano.

Correction: She is playing the piano.

3. **Error:** They is eating dinner at the restaurant.

**Correction:** They are eating dinner at the restaurant.

4. **Error:** We studying for the test.

**Correction:** We are studying for the test.

5. **Error:** He am fixing his bike.

Correction: He is fixing his bike.

6. Error: You are cook dinner.

Correction: You are cooking dinner.

7. **Error:** It raining outside.

Correction: It is raining outside.

8. Error: I am write a letter.

Correction: I am writing a letter.

9. Error: They is watching TV now.

**Correction:** They are watching TV now.

10. Error: She dancing in the rain.

**Correction:** She is dancing in the rain.



## **Exercise 4: Multiple Choice**

(Correct options indicated)

- 1. a) am doing
- 2. **d)** is working
- 3. **b)** are playing
- 4. a) are preparing
- 5. a) is washing
- 6. c) are doing
- 7. **b)** is snowing
- 8. **b)** am having
- 9. d) are meeting
- 10.a) is telling

# **Exercise 5: Compose the Sentence**

(One acceptable answer per question – other valid combinations are acceptable)

- 1. Possible Answer: "I am baking a cake." or "We are baking cookies."
- 2. **Possible Answer:** "She is cycling along the river." or "He is cycling in the park."
- 3. **Possible Answer:** "They are grilling in the backyard." or "You are grilling at a barbecue."
- 4. **Possible Answer:** "I am reading a magazine." or "He is reading the newspaper."
- 5. Possible Answer: "We are building a model." or "They are building a project."
- 6. **Possible Answer:** "You are cleaning the room." or "She is cleaning the house."
- 7. **Possible Answer:** "He is drawing a picture." or "I am drawing a portrait."
- 8. **Possible Answer:** "They are fixing a computer." or "We are fixing a bike."
- 9. **Possible Answer:** "I am practicing the piano." or "You are practicing the violin."