## English 101 Lecture (28)

Revision 2. Touchstone 2

Units (3&4)

# **Unit 3:** Present Continuous

Grammar Simple present and present continuous <?

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Use the simple present to talk about "all the time" and routines.

How do you stay in shape? I walk everywhere.

Do you get regular exercise?

Yes, I do. I exercise six days a week.

No, we don't. We don't exercise at all.

Use the present continuous to talk about "now" and temporary events.

What sports are you playing these days?
I'm doing karate. It's getting me in shape.

Is she trying to lose weight?
Yes, she is. She's drinking diet drinks.
No, she's not. She's not trying to lose weight.

# **Present Continuous**

- The structure of the present continuous tense is:
  - Subject + to be + base + ing.

	Subject	Auxiliary verb		main verb	
+	1	am		speaking	to you.
+	You	are		reading	this.
-	She/ He	is	not	living	in London.
-	We	are	not	playing	football.
?	Is	he		watching	TV?
?	Are	they		waiting	for John?

# **Present Continuous**

- Use 2:
- Use Present continuous to talk about temporary events. Longer Actions in Progress Now
- I am studying to become a doctor.
- I am not studying to become a dentist.
- I am reading the book Tom Sawyer.
- Is she trying to lose weight?
- Yes, she is. She's drinking diet drinks.
- No, she's not. She's not trying to lose weight.

# **Present Continuous**

## **USE 3:** Near Future



I am visiting my grandparents next Friday.

I am not working next week.

Are you playing football this weekend?

# **Non-Continuous Verbs**

#### \* Abstract Verbs

to be, to want, to cost, to seem, to need, to care, to contain, to owe, to exist...

#### \* Possession Verbs

to possess, to own, to belong, to have...

#### \* Emotion Verbs

to like, to love, to hate, to dislike, to fear, to envy, to mind...

#### **Examples:**

- He is needing help now. Not Correct
- He needs help now. Correct
- He is wanting a drink now. Not Correct
- He wants a drink now. Correct

# Grammar Joining clauses with if and when 🥯

What do you take **when** you have a cold?

I don't take anything **when** I have a cold. **When** I have a cold, I don't take anything.

What do you do if you get a really bad cold?

If I get a really bad cold, I drink hot vinegar with honey.

I drink hot vinegar with honey if I get a really bad cold.

When: for usual situations.

If: for unusual situations.

### examples

Join the phrases with when to make them true about yourself.

1. Have a fever/ take medicine

when I have a fever, I usually take medicine.

2. Get a stomachache/ stay in bed.

I stay in bed when I get a stomachache.

3. Have a cough / go to the doctor.

sometimes I go to the doctor when I have a cough.

4. Feel sick / lie down for a while

when I feel sick, I usually lie down for a while.

5. Have a sore throat / drink hot tea with honey

when I have a sore throat, I always drink hot tea with honey.

6. Have a headache / take aspirin.

when I have a headache, I never take aspirin.

## Showing surprise

Use expressions like these to show surprise in informal conversations:

Oh! Gosh!

Really? Oh, my gosh! Wow! You're kidding!

Oh, wow! Are you serious?

No way! No!

In formal conversations, use Oh! or Really?

A: I am working two jobs.

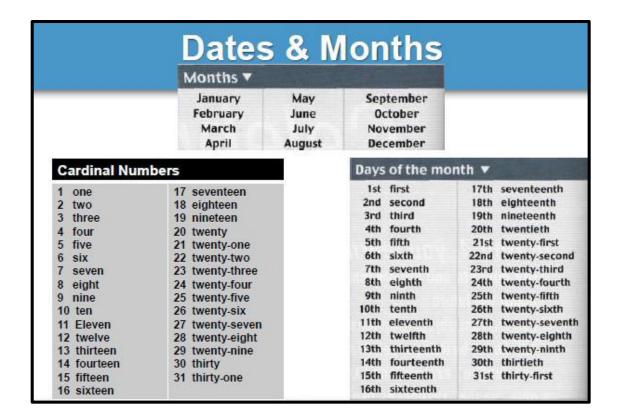
B: you are kidding!

A: I had an accident

B: Oh, my gosh!

### In conversation . . .

Oh and Really are in the top 50 words. Wow and Gosh are in the top 500.



# **Prepositions of Time**

IN

Part of the day / month / year / season

ON

Days / dates / weekends & weekdays

At

Specific time / at night (exception)

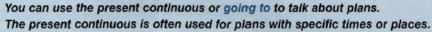
For

Duration of time

Since

From a specific time

## Grammar Present continuous for the future; going to



We're going to The Sea Grill for dinner. We're meeting friends there at 8:30.

What are you doing for New Year's Eve? What are you going to do for New Year's Eve? We're going to go somewhere for dinner. We're going to meet some friends at a restaurant.

You can also use going to for predictions.

It's going to be fun. (NOT It's being fun.) It's going to snow tomorrow. (NOT It's snowing tomorrow.)

I'm going to buy my father something special. Sarah isn't going to give Kirsten anything. Let's send Mom and Dad a card.

## Indirect object pronouns:

me, you, him, her, us, them

I'm going to buy him something special. Sarah isn't going to give her anything. Let's send them a card.

#### Vocabulary

#### Fever:

a medical condition in which the body temperature is higher than usual and the heart beats very fast.

#### flu:

a common infectious illness that makes you feel very tired and weak, and makes you cough and have to clear your nose a lot (influenza).

#### cough:

to force air out of your lungs through your throat with a short, loud sound.

#### Toothache:

pain caused by something being wrong with one of your teeth.

#### Headaches:

a pain you feel inside your head.

#### A cold

A common illness that makes it difficult to breath through your nose and often makes your throat hurt.

#### Sick

physically or mentally ill; not well or healthy.

#### Allergies:

a condition that makes a person become sick or develop skin or breathing problems because they have eaten certain foods or been near certain substances.

#### Vocabulary

#### **Graduation:**

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#### Wedding:

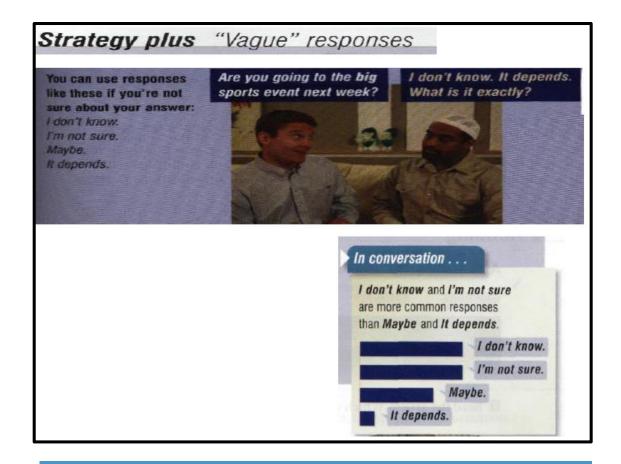
A marriage ceremony, especially one with a religious service.

#### Rirth

the time when a baby comes out of its mother's body.

#### Retirement:

When you stop working, usually because of your age.



# **Prepositions of Time**

## ON

# Days on Saturday – on Monday I visit my grandparents on Friday.

#### O Dates

on 26<sup>th</sup> of November – on September 13 I was born on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

Weekends and Weekdays
 I don't work on weekends.
 I only work on weekdays.

## **AT**

 Part of the day (exception) at night
 I always watch TV at night

Specific Time
 at 8 a.m. - at midday - at midnight

I often wake up at 6 a.m. My break starts at midday.

# **Prepositions of Time**

## <u>for</u>

Duration of time

3 hours - 6 days - a year ...etc.

I lived in the Manchester **for** 7 years. I waited for them **for** an hour

## **Since**

A specific time

2005 - 7:30 - Saturday - July

I lived there since 2003.

