

Continuous Tenses: Review

Past Continuous	was / were + verb <i>ing</i> (Present participle)	For actions in progress at a past time, or interrupted actions in the past.
Present Perfect Continuous	has / have been + verb <i>ing</i>	To show the duration of an action that started in the past and is still going on or has just finished.
Present Continuous	is / are + verb <i>ing</i>	For actions that are in progress at the present time. For future plans/schedules/events, when used with a future time marker.
Future Continuous	will be + verb <i>ing</i>	For actions that will be in progress at a specific time in the future.

Fill in each blank with the correct CONTINUOUS of the verb provided.

Joseph and Tamara _____(live) in Chicago for five years. Joseph _____(study) art in a university when they first moved to the city, but now he _____(work) for a design company. Tamara _____(plan) to become teacher but she changed her mind and decided to become a speech therapist instead. She _____(work) with young children now, and she loves her job. Joseph and Tamara _____(get married) in June and they _____(go) to Europe for their honeymoon. They _____(travel) around Europe for three weeks. Although they like Chicago, they won't stay there forever. For the last few months, _____(think) about moving to New York for the culture and career opportunities there. Joseph hopes that he _____(run) his own graphic design company within the next five years. They have lots of plans for the future, but for now they _____(enjoy) their life in Chicago.

Choose either a SIMPLE or CONTINUOUS form of the verb to complete each sentence. More than one choice may be correct.

1. Kevin is an engineer. He _____ (work) for a big environmental company.
2. I _____ (drive) home when the snowstorm started.
3. Next July, I _____ (travel) across Canada by train.
4. Their family _____ (live) in that house for generations. They'll never sell it.
5. Last night, I _____ (saw) a great movie on TV.
6. Every morning, Sandra _____ (take) the subway to work.
7. I have a fever and a sore throat. I think I _____ (get) sick.
8. Jill can't come to the phone right now. She _____ (take) a shower.
9. I _____ (study) for hours but I still don't understand this grammar.
10. When I called George last night, he _____ (sleep).
11. By the time you receive my postcard, I _____ (fly) home already.
12. Shhh! The baby _____ (sleep).
13. The baby _____ (sleep) since two o'clock.
14. Cheryl is still in the garden. She _____ (plant) flowers for hours.
15. Will has a sore back. He _____ (paint) all day yesterday.
16. Mike _____ (graduate) from university next spring.
17. My sister _____ (rent) a nice house near the lake.