

# I am doing

(present continuous)

6 How do you spell it? Write the continuous form (-ing) of these verbs in the correct list.

arrive begin come cry dance decide die dig forget have help laugh listen  
lie live make play put rob start stop swim tie wear win work write

+ -ing

*crying*

n → nn, t → tt, etc.

*beginning*

e → ing

*arriving*

ie → ying

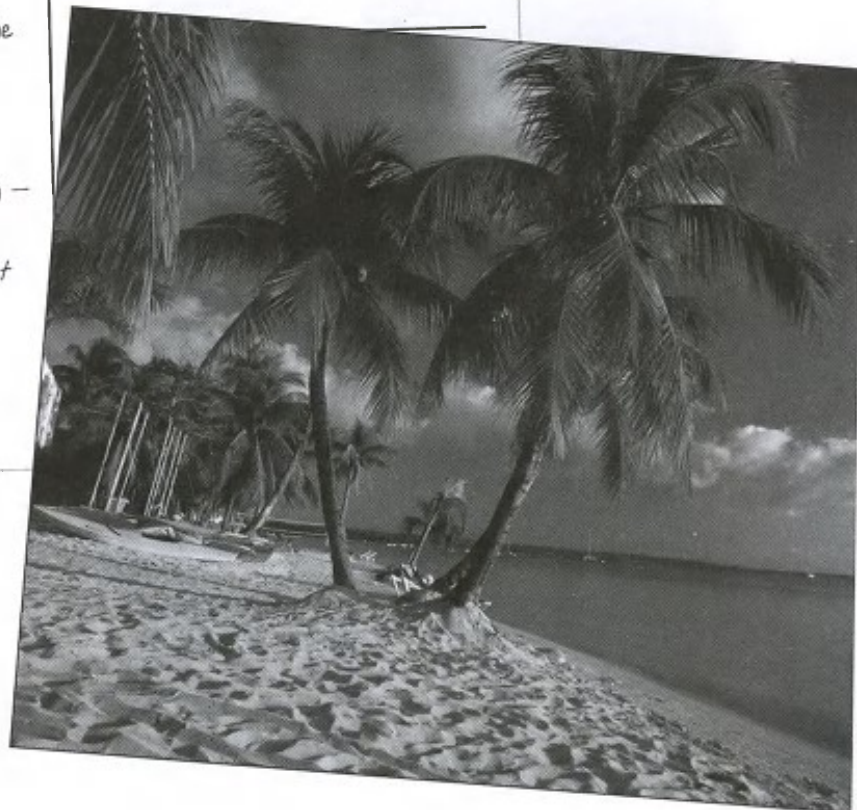
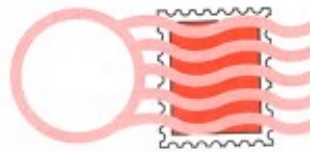
*dying*

7 Complete the postcard with the correct form of the present continuous (is/are + -ing). Sometimes the verb is negative (isn't/aren't + -ing).

Well, here we are in Jamaica, and the sun

(1) *is shining* (shine).

I (2) ..... (lie) on the beach  
and (3) ..... (watch) people in the  
sea. Most of them (4) ..... (swim),  
but one or two of them (5) .....  
(swim) - they (6) ..... (stand) in  
the water and (7) ..... (watch) the  
little fish around their feet. A group of people  
(8) ..... (play) volleyball on the  
beach. The sun is very hot, so Julia  
(9) ..... (lie) with me on the beach -  
she (10) ..... (sit) under a tree.  
She (11) ..... (wear) a big sun hat  
and (12) ..... (eat) a piece of  
watermelon. It's a great life! See you in ten  
days.  
Love, Josie



8 Look at the picture and the description. Correct the mistakes in the description.



Steve is reading a newspaper. The boys, Sam and Eric, are playing with a ball. They are both wearing sunglasses. Pam is cooking chicken. She's laughing because the smoke is getting in her eyes. Jo is standing with her mother and is listening to music on her personal stereo. She is eating an orange. Fred, the dog, is lying on the grass asleep.

- 1 Steve isn't reading a newspaper. He's reading a book.
- 2 Sam and Eric .....
- 3 They .....
- 4 .....
- 5 .....
- 6 .....
- 7 .....
- 8 .....

9 You are talking to your friend, Barbara, on the phone. Ask questions to find out what she and her family are doing.

YOU

Where are you?

- 1 What are you doing ..... (do)?
- 2 ..... (sit)?
- 3 ..... (laugh)?
- 4 ..... (watch)?
- 5 ..... (enjoy) it?

Where's Pete?

- 6 ..... (cook) dinner?
- 7 ..... (talk) to?

And where are your parents?

- 8 ..... (talk) to James?
- 9 ..... (make)?

BARBARA

In the sitting room.

I'm talking to you!

On the floor.

Because there's a funny man on TV.

A comedy programme.

Yes, I am, but I'm listening to you too.

In the kitchen.

No, he's talking to someone.

His friend, James.

In the kitchen too.

No, they're making dinner.

My mum is cooking fish and my dad is cutting the bread.