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# THE PRESENT CONTINUOUS TENSE AND THE PAST CONTINUOUS TENSE

## REVIEW

The **present continuous tense** is used to refer to **an action that is still taking place at the time of speaking**.

Review these.

- The girl **is reading**.
- I **am saving** up to buy a present for my cousin.
- The teachers **are marking** the books.
- The worker **is polishing** the marble floor.

The **past continuous tense** is used to refer to **an action that was in progress at a particular time in the past**.

Review these.

- The man **was sleeping** when the telephone rang.
- He **was studying** in Canada last year.
- The boys **were fishing** by the river bank yesterday.
- The children **were swimming** in the pool this morning.