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Spanish Grammar Lesson on the Present Progressive Tense

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The Present Progressive Tense

The progressive tense is used to describe actions that are in progress at a specific moment in

The present tense is used much more frequently in English than it is used in Spanish. As in Sp

I am living in the suburbs.

I am working in the post office.

I am taking Spanish lessons.

In Spanish, the present tense is used to emphasize that an action is taking place now. But man

I learned this one from trial and error. As embarrassing as it is to admit, a five year old li

The first time it happened it happened with an adult. I was trying to tell an adult that I am

At the time, I thought that maybe she was wrong and that my textbook was right. So I tried te

Forming the Present Progressive Tense

In Spanish, we form the present progressive tense by conjugating the verb *estar* with the pre

Let's try it.

My grandmother is eating pork chops.

Mi abuelita está comiendo chuletas de cerdo.

The uncle is working.

El tío está trabajando.

The father-in-law is dancing.

El suegro está bailando.

The stepmother is cooking the lobster.

La madrastra está cocinando la langosta.

The grandson is doing nothing.

El nieto no está haciendo nada.

You are washing the windows.

Tú estás limpiando las ventanas.

Now let's try a few on your own. The answers appear at the bottom.

The nephew is selling cars.

The daughter-in-law is writing a letter.

The sister-in-law is receiving a lot of gifts.

The grandchildren are playing.

The cousin is buying a tie.

Answers:

El sobrino está vendiendo carros.

La nuera está escribiendo una carta.

La cuñada está recibiendo muchos regalos.

Los nietos están jugando.

El primo está comprando una corbata.

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