

THE PRESENT PROGRESSIVE

In Spanish, the progressive tense is used to talk about actions that are in progress. This tense is made up of the auxiliary verb "estar" + the present participle **-ando/-iendo** of the main verb.

[estar] + -ando (-ar verbs) / -iendo (-er/-ir verbs)

Example: Ella **está hablando**. (drop the "r" in "hablar", add **-ndo**)

Ella **está corriendo**. (drop the "er" in "correr", add **-iendo**)

Ella **está escribiendo**. (drop the "r" in "escribir", add **-endo**)

Note: The verbs "ir" and "leer" have the following irregular present participle: **ir-yendo** and **leer-leyendo**.

Práctica de comprensión y escritura

Conjuga el verbo "estar" de acuerdo al sujeto.

Modelo: yo/estar-estoy

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. ella/estar-_____ | 6. ellos/ estar-_____ |
| 2. nosotros/ estar- _____ | 7. ustedes/ estar-_____ |
| 3. usted/estar-_____ | 8. él/ estar-_____ |
| 4. vosotros/ estar- _____ | 9. nosotros/ estar-_____ |
| 5. tú/ estar-_____ | 10. yo/ estar-_____ |

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Cambia los siguientes verbos a participios. **-ar verbs > -ando // -er and -ir verbs > -iendo**

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| 1. cantar- <u>cantando</u> | 11. subir-_____ |
| 2. comer-_____ | 12. visitar-_____ |
| 3. comprar-_____ | 13. aprender-_____ |
| 4. estudiar-_____ | 14. vivir-_____ |
| 5. mirar-_____ | 15. comprar-_____ |
| 6. beber-_____ | 16. completar-_____ |
| 7. leer-_____ | 17. usar-_____ |
| 8. correr-_____ | 18. escuchar-_____ |
| 9. escribir-_____ | 19. tomar-_____ |
| 10. ir-_____ | 20. cepillar-_____ |

Práctica de comprensión y escritura

¡Traductor(a), por favor! Traduce las siguientes oraciones.

[estar] + -ando/-iendo

1. They are running.
2. She is reading.
3. I am studying.
4. We are dancing.
5. You are watching television.
6. He is listening to music.
7. They are learning Spanish.
8. We are studying in the library.
9. I am eating.
10. We are surfing the Internet.
11. Ana is waking up now.
12. They are sitting down.
13. She is eating pizza.
14. We are having lunch.
15. The class is starting now.
16. They are studying.
17. We are reading.
18. I am playing tennis.
19. He is bathing.
20. They are playing golf.
21. She is returning now.
22. Is he singing?
23. I am closing the store now.
24. I am thinking.
25. We are losing.

Spanish Idiom

La práctica hace al maestro. Practice makes perfect.