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Practice with Progressive Verb Tenses

Read each sentence and underline the progressive verb. Then, write the main verb that the progressive verb is built on and circle the word that tells the tense of the progressive verb.

1. Callie is losing her hair. _____

past

present

future

2. I will be explaining that to you shortly. _____

past

present

future

3. The group is reviewing their notes for the test. _____

past

present

future

4. Jan was teaching Lucky to tie his shoes. _____

past

present

future

5. That store will be closing early today. _____

past

present

future

6. Darkness was sneaking up on the hikers. _____

past

present

future

7. Sam will be quitting after the next game. _____

past

present

future

8. I am expecting good things from you. _____

past

present

future

9. The explorer was digging as quickly as he could. _____

past

present

future

10. Will you be wearing that jacket? _____

past

present

future

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Making Progress with Progressives

Read the verb, then read the sentence. Write a progressive form of the main verb to complete each sentence.

[sell] Mr. Ben _____ his old car.

[explore] The scientists _____ old caves near the mountain.

[hide] I know Chuck _____ in the hall closet.

[demand] The woman who bought the purse _____ her money back.

[knit] Both Grandpa and Grandma _____ a blanket.

[sweat] In the mid-day sun, Gina _____ a lot.

[buy] I just know Seth _____ a present for me.

[watch] The crowd _____ every event at the track meet.

[hold] Sunny _____ Susan's hand.

[sweep] June _____ all the floors.

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Is It Progressive?

Read the verbs. Mark past progressives in yellow, present progressives in green, and future progressives in blue. Mark verbs that are not progressive in red.

may be working

will be jumping

was completing

are complaining

were studying

turned

burned

renewed

will be renewing

was hidden

am directing

is jumping

was exploring

studied

were worrying

is thinking

will be joining

is complaining

will be looking

are resting

will be speaking

tease

were hitting

am dreaming

will be splitting

planted

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past present future
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past present future
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past present future
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past present future
7. Sam will be quitting after the next game. _____ quit _____
past present future
8. I am expecting good things from you. _____ expect _____
past present future
9. The explorer was digging as quickly as he could. _____ dig _____
past present future
10. Will you be wearing that jacket? _____ wear _____
past present future

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Making Progress with Progressives

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