

THE PROGRESSIVE TENSES

*Formation & Uses

- “-ing” form of the verb
- pronouns are attached directly to the present participle
- estar + present participle = to be doing something (*presently*)
- seguir/continuar + present participle = to KEEP on doing something

*Regularly formed present participles

- ar verbs... drop the “ar” and add “ando”
- er verbs... drop the “er” and add “iendo”
- ir verbs... drop the “ir” and add “iendo”

*Irregularly formed present participles

er & ir verbs with triple vowels

atraer (to attract) atrayendo	construir (to construct) construyendo
caer (to fall) cayendo	contribuir (to contribute) contribuyendo
contraer (to contract) contrayendo	destruir (to destroy) destruyendo
creer (to believe) creyendo	fluir (to flow) fluyendo
leer (to read) leyendo	huir (to flee) huyendo
poseer (to possess) poseyendo	incluir (to include) incluyendo
raer (to scrape) rayendo	influir (to influence) influyendo
releer (to reread) releyendo	instituir (to institute) instituyendo
retraer (to bring back) retrayendo	ir (to go) yendo
sustraer (to remove) sustrayendo	oír (to hear) oyendo
traer (to bring) trayendo	sustituir (to substitute) sustituyendo

ir stem-changing verbs [o->ue = o->u... e->ie & e->i = e->i]

dormir = durmiendo
morir = muriendo

advertir = advirtiendo
mentir = mintiendo
sentir = sintiendo

decir = diciendo
repitir = repitiendo

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Past Progressive - WAS *studying*

estuve estuviste estuvo estuvimos estuvieron	present participle
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Imperfect Progressive - WAS *studying*

estaba estabas estaba estábamos estaban	present participle
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Future Progressive - WILL BE *studying*

estaré estarás estará estaremos estarán	present participle
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Conditional Progressive - SHOULD/WOULD BE *studying*

estaría estarías estaría estariámos estarían	present participle
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