The present continuous tense is used to talk about actions and events that are going on around the time of talking. The present continuous tense forms are made by putting is / am / are before the -ing form of the verb.

Test your knowledge present continuous tense forms with this grammar exercise. Each sentence given below has a blank space. Fill in the blanks with appropriate present continuous form of the verb given in the brackets.

1. Hurry up! We for you.
waiting
are waiting
wait
2. 'What are youletters.'
doing, writing
done, writing
doing, write

3. He in Italy at the moment.
works
working
is working
4. She doesn't like to be disturbed when she
works
working
is working
5. That child bigger everyday.
gets
getting

is getting
6. Who is that girl on the table?
stand
standing
is standing
7. I for the shops to open.
wait
am waiting
waiting
8. I Jane tomorrow.
see

am seeing
seeing
9. The universe, and has been so since its beginning.
expands
is expanding
expanding
10. My sister at home for the moment.
lives
living
is living

Answers

- 1. Hurry up! We are waiting for you.
- 2. What are you doing? I am writing letters.
- 3. He is working in Italy at the moment.
- 4. She doesn't like to be disturbed when she is working.
- 5. That child is getting bigger everyday.
- 6. Who is that girl standing on the table?
- 7. I am waiting for the shops to open.
- 8. I am seeing Jane tomorrow.
- 9. The universe is expanding and has been since its beginning.
- 10. My sister is living at home for the moment.