**Present Continuous Lesson Plan for Elementary Level Students**

**Lead In:**Teacher asks about what students do on weekends. Teacher says “I like to go to the park on weekends”. Teacher holds up things people do in the park. (Play on swings, walk in the woods, play with dogs, ride bicycles, etc.). Teacher asks people to tell me about what people do in each picture.

* **Presentation:**Teacher asks, “Can you think of a better way to say, ‘What do the people do in each picture’?” Either get the answer, “What are they ‘doing’”, and reinforce it, or teach it. Now teacher writes out formal form of present continuous, To be + Present participle. Then writes out simple (uncontracted) forms for 1-3 person singular and plural. Finally, teacher goes over simple forms. To be + not + present participle.
* **Practice:**Techer presents a story about what people do in the park, with lots of errors. E.g. simple present instead of present continuous (“He plays with his dog right now”), bad forms “She is walks in the woods”, etc. Students need to correct story. 2nd exercise, everyone gets fragments of sentences about a set of pictures, have to stand up and find partners to finish the sentence. Both exercises are mostly affirmative, a few negative.
* **Production:**Divide into groups of pairs, #1 and #2. Each #1 student has to imagine themselves at a shopping mall doing something and describe it using present continuous. “I am shopping for shoes. I am having coffee.” Etc. #2 has to disagree “No you are not \_\_\_. You are \_\_\_\_.”