



ENGLISH

Chapter 17 Session A

2nd
SECONDARY

PRESENT CONTINUOUS
FOR PLANS



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Having fun

Get talking!

1 Talk about the pictures with a partner.

What can you see? Where are the people?

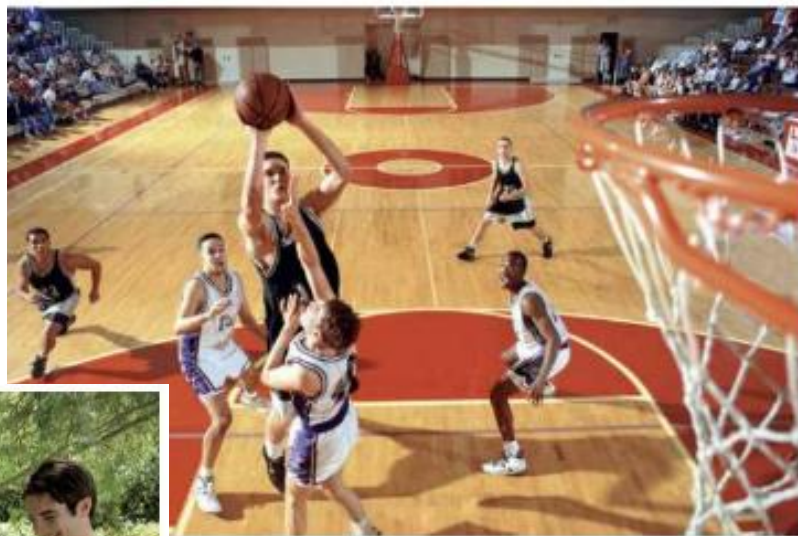
What are they doing?



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**What do you like to do on Friday nights?
Tell your partner.**

- ☐ go out with friends and have fun
- ☐ stay home, relax and have a quiet night in



Conversation

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Amy: Hi, Ricardo. How's it going? You're looking well.

Ricardo: Hi, Amy. Thanks. Yeah, things are pretty good. How about you?

Amy: Oh, I'm really busy right now. It's my birthday on Saturday.

Ricardo: Great! Do you have any plans to celebrate?

Amy: You bet I do! I'm meeting friends at Chico's in town on Friday, and then we're having a barbecue at my place. Do you want to come?

Ricardo: I'd love to, but I can't. I'm playing basketball on Friday. There's a big game and I can't miss it.

Amy: Too bad.

Ricardo: How about Saturday? What are you doing for your birthday?



Amy: I'm seeing my parents in the evening. We're going to an Italian restaurant for dinner.

Ricardo: Are you doing anything in the afternoon?

Amy: Yes, I'm going out with Sally and Jill.

Ricardo: Well, would you like to meet up earlier? I'm not doing anything in the morning.

Amy: Actually, that's a good idea. Why don't you come over around lunchtime? You can help me tidy up after the party!

Ricardo: Oh, right. That's not exactly what I ...

Amy: Be there around twelve, and don't forget to bring me a present!

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Practice the conversation with a partner.

Language box



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Are you **doing** anything on Friday?
I'm **meeting** friends in the afternoon.
We're **having** a barbecue in the evening.

Do you **want to** come to the barbecue?
Would you **like to** go to a restaurant?

I'd love to, but I can't. I'm **playing** basketball.
Sorry, but I'm **studying** tonight.



Grammar reference » p.110

Present continuous for plans

We use the **present continuous** to talk about definite plans for the future.

Questions

Are you **doing** anything this weekend?

Are you **going** to Sam's party tonight?

What **are** you **doing** tonight?

Answers

Yes, **I'm going** swimming with a friend on Saturday.

No, **I'm not**. I'm **having** dinner with James.

I'm staying home and watching TV.

Making invitations

Invitations	Responses
Would you like to have a picnic next weekend?	I'm sorry but I can't. I'm visiting my parents.
Do you want to go to a concert on Friday night?	Yes, I'd love to. That sounds great.
<i>What/How about + verb + -ing + noun?</i>	
How about having a picnic tomorrow?	Sorry, I can't. I'm busy.
What about Sunday?	

Time expressions

We often use time expressions when we are talking about the future:

tonight

tomorrow morning/afternoon/evening

on Saturday

this weekend

next week/Saturday

1

Complete the conversation using the verbs in parentheses.

A: I ¹ _____ (have) a barbecue next Saturday.
² _____ (you / like) to come?

B: Oh, I'm sorry but I can't. I ³ _____ (visit) my parents on Saturday.

A: Well, what ⁴ _____ (you / do) on Sunday?

B: I ⁵ _____ (play) golf in the morning, but I'm free in the afternoon.

A: OK. ⁶ _____ (you / want) to see a movie?

B: Sure. I ⁷ _____ (love) to. That sounds great.

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Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

Sunday? / you / are / on / What / doing

What are you doing on Sunday?

- 1 Are / on / Thursday? / you / free
- 2 doing / on / you / anything / the / Are / weekend?
- 3 What / tonight? / you / doing / are
- 4 want / movie / to / you / see / Do / a / tomorrow?
- 5 have / to / you / picnic / Monday? / Would / like / a / next
- 6 you / week? / next / busy / Are

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Match the phrases to make sentences.

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|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 Are you | a like to see a movie next week? |
| 2 Do you | b anything next Sunday? |
| 3 Are you doing | c you doing on the weekend? |
| 4 Would you | d free next Tuesday? |
| 5 What are | e want to have dinner tonight? |

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Put these sentences in the correct places in the conversation.

- 1 I'm busy next weekend.
- 2 Would you like to come?
- 3 Do you want to see a movie?
- 4 Are you doing anything on Tuesday?

A: I'm going to a ball game next weekend. **a** ____

B: Oh, I'm sorry but I can't. **b** ____

A: OK, then. **c** ____

B: No, I'm free on Tuesday.

A: Great. **d** ____

B: Sure, I'd love to.



Challenge!

Work with a partner.

Practice the conversations in exercises 1 and 4.

Vocabulary

1 Match each activity with a picture.

- 1 F go to a movie theater
- 2 ___ go to a ball game
- 3 ___ go out for dinner
- 4 ___ go to a nightclub
- 5 ___ go to a concert
- 6 ___ have a picnic
- 7 ___ have a party



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Check (✓) the things that you like to do on weekends. Tell a partner.