

Present continuous and present simple 1  
(I am doing and I do)

I am doing : 나는 ~ 하고 있다. // I do : 나는 ~ 한다.

A

Compare:

## Present continuous (I am doing)

We use the continuous for things happening at or around the time of speaking.

The action is not complete.



- ☒ The water **is boiling**. Can you turn it off? 물 끓는데 좀 꺼줄 수 있어?
- ☐ Listen to those people. What language **are they speaking**?
- ☐ Let's go out. It **isn't raining** now.
- ☒ 'I'm busy.' 'What **are you doing**?'
- ☒ I'm **getting hungry**. Let's go and eat.
- ☐ Kate wants to work in Italy, so she's **learning** Italian.
- ☐ The population of the world **is increasing** very fast. 일시적인 일(현상)

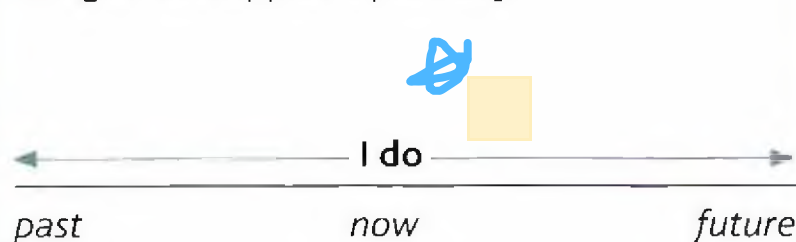
We use the continuous for temporary situations:

- ☐ I'm **living** with some friends until I find a place of my own. until (~ 때 까지) // 당분간만...
- ☐ A: You're **working** hard today. 너 오늘 열심히 일하네  
B: Yes, I have a lot to do.

See Unit 1 for more information.

## Present simple (I do)

We use the simple for things in general or things that happen repeatedly.



- ☐ Water **boils** at 100 degrees Celsius. 물은 100도씨 에서 끓는다.
- ☒ Excuse me, **do you speak** English? 실례지만, 당신은 영어를 말 하나요?
- ☐ It **doesn't rain** very much in summer.
- ☒ What **do you usually do** at weekends?
- ☐ I always **get** hungry in the afternoon.
- ☐ Most people **learn** to swim when they are children.
- ☐ Every day the population of the world **increases** by about 200,000 people.

We use the simple for permanent situations: 지속적인 일

- ☐ My parents **live** in London. They have lived there all their lives.
- ☐ Joe **isn't** lazy. He **works** hard most of the time.

See Unit 2 for more information.

B

## I always do and I'm always doing

I **always do** (something) = I do it every time: I always do // 항상 ~을 한다고 말할 때 쓰입니다.

- ☐ I **always go** to work by car. (not I'm always going)

'I'm always doing something' has a different meaning. For example:



습관적으로 자주 일어나는 일이나 하는 행동을 말할 때 쓰입니다.

I'm always losing things = I lose things very often, perhaps too often, or more often than normal.

More examples:

- ☒ You're **always playing** computer games. You should do something more active. 주기적으로 일어나는 일은 아닙니다.  
(= You play computer games too often) 하지만 습관적으로 너무 자주 하는 행동이나 일어나는 일입니다.
- ☐ Tim is never satisfied. He's **always complaining**. (= He complains too much)