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English

The programmer is typing the e-mail.

The woman is texting on her cellular phone.

The mother is calling her daughter.

The daughter is answering the mobile phone.

The man is surfing the internet on the computer.

Vocabulary

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English	Definition	Class	
programmer	person who creates computer	noun	
	programs		
type	to write using a keyboard	verb	
e-mail	system for sending electronic	noun	
	messages		
woman	female human adult	noun	
text	to type a message on a cellular	verb	
	phone		
cellular phone	small portable telelphone	noun	
mother	a woman who has given birth to a	noun	
	child		
to call	to telephone	verb	
daughter	a female child	noun	
answer	to respond	verb	
mobile phone	a wireless, cellular telephone	noun	
man	adult human male	noun	
surf	to look for things on the internet	verb	
internet	an electronic communication	noun	
	network		

Vocabulary Sample Sentences

Software programmers are known for drinking lots of coffee and Mountain Dew.

He's in school studying computer engineering; he wants to be a programmer.

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Use the keyboard to type your message, then press send.

Did you get my e-mail?

The scared woman is protecting her baby.

Text me when you get home.

With a cellular phone, you can make calls from almost anywhere.

How often do you talk to your mother?

I called his office, but I didn't reach him.

They have a very lovely daughter.

The secretary answers the office telephone.

I can't go anywhere without my mobile phone.

Mobile phones take the stress out of meeting someone in a new place.

The man disappeared into the shadows.

I surf the internet every night before bed.

I did some research on the Internet.

Grammar Points

The focus of this lesson is tense comparison in English.

Present tense, Present Progressive tense, and Past tense

In this lesson you'll learn the difference between the different tenses in the English language: present tense, present progressive tense, and past tense.

1. The programmer is typing the e-mail.

Tense	Target Sentence in Tense
present tense	"The programmer types the e-mail."
present progressive tense	"The programmer is typing the e-mail."
past tense	"The programmer types the e-mail."

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2. The woman is texting on her cellular phone.

Tense	Target Sentence in Tense
present tense	"The woman texts on her cellular phone."
present progressive tense	"The woman is texting on her cellular phone."
past tense	"The woman texted on her cellular phone."

3. The mother is calling her daughter.

Tense	Target Sentence in Tense
present tense	"The mother calls her daughter."
present progressive tense	"The mother is calling her daughter."
past tense	"The mother called her daughter."

4. The daughter is answering the mobile phone.

Tense	Target Sentence in Tense
present tense	"The daughter answers the mobile phone."
present progressive tense	"The daughter is answering the mobile phone."
past tense	"The daughter answered the mobile phone."

5. The man is surfing the internet on the computer.

Tense	Target Sentence in Tense
present tense	"The man surfs the internet on the computer."
present progressive tense	"The man is surfing the internet on the computer."
past tense	"The man surfed the internet on the computer."