

Review of the Present Simple and Present Continuous

0) Brainstorm **all verbs** students know in English and **tenses**.

A) The Present Simple

"Subject" + "verb"

I) Review the **simple present** of "to be":

	Affirmative (+)	Negative (-)	Interrogative
I	I am Moroccan.	I am not Chinese.	Am I Moroccan?
He / She / It	He is a happy.	He is not sad.	Is he happy?
We / You / They	We are students.	We are not students.	Are you students?

II) Review the **simple present** of "to speak":

	Affirmative (+)	Negative (-)	Interrogative
I	I speak English.	I do not speak Chinese.	Do I speak English?
He / She / It	He speaks English.	He does not speak Chinese.	Does he speak English?
We / You / They	We speak English.	We do not speak Chinese.	Do we speak English?

Exceptions:

- **go**: I go; you go; he/she/it goes; we/you/they go .
- **do**: I do, you do, he/she/it does; we/you/they do.
- **Kiss**: I kiss, you kiss, he/she/it kisses; we/you/they kiss.
- **Pass**: I pass, you pass, he/she/it passes; we/you/they pass.
- **Marry**: I marry, you marry, he/she/it marries; we/you/they marry. (try, cry & copy)

Use: We use the simple present

- **To talk about general truth**: I am Moroccan. Ifrane is a beautiful city. I love Spaghetti. Morocco is in Africa.
- **To talk about everyday activities (frequency adverbs)**: Rachid **always** goes to the Mosque. I **sometimes** play football with my friends. I **never** go to the bar.

B) The Present Continuous

“Subject” + “to be” in the present simple + “verb” in “ing”

Example: I am studying English now.

Karim* is studying English now.

She is studying English now.

Verb = **study** + ing

l) Review **the present continuous** of “speak”

	Affirmative (+)	Negative (-)	Interrogative
I	I am speaking English <u>now</u> .	I am not speaking Chinese <u>now</u> .	Am I speaking English <u>now</u> ?
He / She / It	He is speaking English <u>now</u> .	He is not speaking Chinese <u>now</u> .	Is he speaking English <u>now</u> ?
We / You / They	We are speak English <u>now</u> .	We are not speaking Chinese <u>now</u> .	Are we speaking English <u>now</u> ?

Exceptions:

- **make**: I am making a cake, you are making a cake, she is making a cake;
- **use**: I am using a computer.; you are using a computer; she is using a computer.
- **dance**: I am dancing; Karima is dancing; Everybody is dancing.

Use: We use the simple present

- **To talk about an action happening now / at the moment:** I am studying now/ I am studying at the moment. The baby is sleeping now/ The baby is sleeping at the moment. Amine and Amina are watching a film now/ at the moment.
- **For description:** Oh look! The children are playing outside. Oh no! The rain is coming.

Exercise 1 – Put the verbs between brackets in the present simple or present continuous:

1. Yasmina _____ (cry) because she did not have a good mark.
2. Our teacher always _____ (give) us lots of homework.
3. We _____ (not / want) to go to the concert.
4. What time _____ (you / have) English class today?
5. I _____ (not work) now. I have a break.
6. People _____ (speak) English in Jamaica.
7. Fadoua _____ (not / use) her computer at the moment.
8. Tony _____ (live) near the park.
9. What _____ (Karim / do) now?

