

# Verb Tense Tutorial

## *Present Continuous / Present Perfect Continuous*

1. It (rain)  all week. I hope it stops by Saturday because I want to go to the beach.

2. A: Where is Gary?

B: He (study, at the library)  for his German test on Wednesday. In fact, he (review)  for the test every day for the last week.

3. You look really great! (You, exercise)  at the fitness center ?

4. Frank, where have you been? We (wait)  for you since 1 P.M..

5. A: What is that sound?

B: A car alarm (ring)  somewhere down the street. It (drive)  me crazy - I wish it would stop! It (ring)  for more than twenty minutes.

6. Joseph's English (improve, really) , isn't it? He (watch)  American television programs and (study)  his grammar every day since he first arrived in San Diego. Soon he will be totally fluent.

7. A: You look a little tired. (You, get)  enough sleep lately?

B: Yes, I (sleep)  relatively well. I just look tired because I (feel)  a little sick for the last week.

A: I hope you feel better soon.

B: Thanks. I (take, currently)  some medicine, so I should feel better in a couple of days.

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Mr. Smith: So tell me a little bit about yourself, Mr. Harris. I would like to find out a little bit more about your background.

Mr. Harris: I (work)  in the insurance industry for over ten years. I worked for Met Life for six years and World Insurance for four and a half. During that time, I heard many good things about Hollings Life Insurance and that's why I (apply)  for the new sales position.

Mr. Smith: Tell me a little about your hobbies and interests.

Mr. Harris: In my spare time, I hike in the mountains outside of town, volunteer at the Sierra Club and play tennis. In fact, I (compete)  in a tennis tournament this weekend.

Mr. Smith: Really, how long (you, play)  tennis ?

Mr. Harris: I (play)  since high school. I love the sport.

Mr. Smith: Great! We like dedication here at Hollings Life. You mentioned you volunteer at the Sierra Club. I (work, currently)  with them on the sea turtle project. We (try)  to create a wildlife sanctuary near the bay.

Mr. Harris: Do you know Frank Harris? He's my brother. He (work, presently)  on the same project.

Mr. Smith: I know Frank quite well. Any brother of Frank's would be a welcome addition to Hollings Life. Just one more thing, we (look)  for somebody who is fluent in Spanish; many of our clients are from Mexico.

Mr. Harris: No problem. I (study)  Spanish since elementary school.

Mr. Smith: Sounds like you are the perfect candidate.