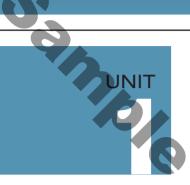
Present and Past



Present Progressive and Simple Present

DIEFERENT CULTURES

UNIT 2

Simple Past

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Past Progressive and Simple Past

REPORTING EVENTS

UNIT

Used to and Would

CHANGES



Wh- Questions

IN COURT

PART

OUTCOMES

- Describe actions that are happening now
- Describe actions, states, and situations that happen regularly, and unchanging facts
- Recognize the use of the present progressive and the simple present in reading and listening
- Express opinions about topics related to cross-cultural differences
- Write a description of a new experience

OUTCOMES

- Use the simple past with regular and irregular verbs
- Describe events, states, and situations in the past
- · Identify the order of events in a reading and listening
- Discuss past events and situations
- · Write about some important life events

OUTCOMES

- Describe past events or situations
- Use when or while to link clauses in the simple past and the past progressive
- · Identify the order of events in a description of an accident
- · Report on events that were interrupted by other events
- · Write a description of a past event

OUTCOMES

- Describe past habits and situations, using used to and would
- Evaluate events and situations described in a reading and a listening
- Describe and discuss one's past and present physical appearance and habits
- · Write a description of a place and how it has changed

OUTCOMES

- Ask questions about the past, using wh- words
- · Identify important information in an interview transcript
- Identify the main point of a conversation
- · Write a series of interview questions to get information about a past event

UNIT

Present Progressive and Simple Present

DIFFERENT CULTURES

OUTCOME

- · Describe actions that are happening now
- Describe actions, states, and situations that happen regularly, and unchanging facts
- Recognize the use of the present progressive and the simple present in reading and listening
- Express opinions about topics related to crosscultural differences
- · Write a description of a new experience

STEP 1

GRAMMAR IN CONTEXT

BEFORE YOU READ

Look at the cartoons. Discuss the questions.

- 1. What are the people doing?
- 2. How do they feel?

READ

01|01

Read this article about cross-cultural communication.

What's Your Cross-Cultural IQ?1

Are you living in your native country or in another country? Do you ever travel abroad? Do you understand the misunderstandings in these two situations?

Situation 1

Jason is standing at
Dan's door. He thinks
he's on time for the
party, but he doesn't
see any guests, and Dan
is wearing shorts and
a T-shirt! Dan looks
surprised. In his culture,
people never arrive at
the exact start of a social
event. They often come
at least 30 minutes later.



1 What's your cross-cultural IQ?: How much do you know about other people's cultures?



Situation 2

Ina and Marty are talking. They are both feeling very uncomfortable. In Marty's culture, people usually stand quite close. This seems friendly to them. In Ina's culture, people prefer to have more distance between them. This doesn't mean they are unfriendly.

- 2 What's the matter?: What's wrong?
- 3 perfume: a liquid with a strong pleasant smell that you put on your skin

AFTER YOU READ

- A VOCABULARY Choose the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the word in **bold**.
- 1. Are you living in your native country?
 - a. first

b. new

c. favorite

- 2. Do you ever travel abroad?
 - **a.** by boat
- **b.** to foreign countries
- c. on expensive trips
- 3. What was the misunderstanding about?
 - a. fight

- **b.** argument
- c. confusion
- **4.** They come from different **cultures**.
 - a. schools
- **b.** climates
- c. ways of life
- **5.** They prefer to have more **distance** between them.
 - a. streets
- **b.** space
- c. time
- 6. There are a lot of parties and other events at the Students' Club.
 - a. members
- **b.** languages
- c. activities
- **B** COMPREHENSION Complete each statement with the correct name.
- 1. _____ doesn't have shoes on.
- 2. _____ isn't expecting people to arrive at 8:00.
- **3.** _____ thinks he's on time.
- 4. ______ is wearing perfume.
- **5.** _____ wants to stand farther away.
- **6.** ______ probably thinks the other person is a little unfriendly.
- **OBSCUSSION** Work with a partner. Compare your answers in B. Why did you choose each answer?

STEP 2

GRAMMAR PRESENTATION

PRESENT PROGRESSIVE

Affirmative Statements

Subject	Be	Base Form of Verb + -ing	
1	am		
You	are		
Не			
She	is	traveling	now.
It		_	
We			
You	are		
They			

SIMPLE PRESENT

Affirmative Statements

Subject		Verb	
I		travel.	
You		traver.	
He She It	often	travels.	
We You They		travel.	

Negative Statements

Subject	Be	Not	Base Form of Verb + -ing	
Ι	am			
Не	is	not	traveling	now.
We	are			

Negative Statements

Subject	Do	Not	Base Form of Verb	
I	do			
Не	does	not	travel	often.
We	do			

Yes/No Questions

Be	Subject	Base Form of Verb + -ing	
Is	he	traveling	now?

Yes/No Questions

Do	Subject	Base Form of Verb	
Does	he	travel	often?

Short Answers

Yes,	h.	is.
No,	ne	isn't.

Short Answers

Yes,	he	does.
No,	116	doesn't.

Wh- Questions

<i>Wh-</i> Word	Be	Subject	Base Form of Verb + -ing	
Where	are	you	traveling	now?

Wh- Questions

<i>Wh-</i> Word	Do	Subject		Base Form of Verb
Where	do	you	usually	travel?

GRAMMAR NOTES

1 Present Progressive

Use the present progressive to show that something is happening now or in a longer present time.

• happening now (right now, at the moment)

Past Now He's speaking English. Future

Diego **is speaking** English *now*. He's wearing shorts *at the moment*.

• happening in a longer present time (this month, this year, these days, nowadays), even if it's not happening now

Past Now Future

We're studying U.S. history this month.
(But we aren't studying it now.)
Laura's studying in France this year.
Are you studying hard these days?

2 Simple Present

Use the simple present to show that something happens regularly or for unchanging facts.

• happens regularly (usually, often, every day, always)



Diego *usually* speaks Spanish. He wears jeans *every day*.

• unchanging facts

person-singular (*he*, *she*, *it*) verbs. Also, remember to use *does* in questions and *doesn't* in negatives for third-person-singular verbs.

Miguel comes from Oaxaca. Oaxaca is in Mexico.

He wears jeans. He doesn't wear shorts.

NOT He wear jeans. He don't wear shorts.

3 Simple Present + Adverbs of Frequency

Use the simple present with adverbs of frequency to show how often something happens.

always
usually
often/frequently
sometimes
rarely/seldom
hardly ever
never

In Spain, women always kiss on both cheeks.

In France, women often kiss on both cheeks.

We rarely stand very close to each other.

In China, children never call adults by their first names.

Adverbs of frequency usually go before the verb. However, *sometimes* and *usually* can also go at the beginning of the sentence.

I sometimes wear shorts at home.

UI

Sometimes I wear shorts at home.

BE CAREFUL! Adverbs of frequency usually go after the verb be.

They are never late.

NOT They never are late.

4 Non-Action Verbs

Use non-action verbs to describe states or situations, but not actions.

Non-action verbs describe:

- emotions (like, love, hate, want, feel, fear, trust)
- mental states (know, remember, believe, think, mean, understand, wonder)
- possession (have, own, possess, belong)
- senses and perceptions (hear, see, smell, taste, feel, notice, seem, look, be, appear, sound)

BE CAREFUL! Use the simple present with most non-action verbs. Do not use the present progressive—even when the verb describes a situation that exists at the moment of speaking.

USAGE NOTE In informal conversation, some people use the **present progressive** with verbs of emotion (especially with like and love) and with verbs of mental state. This often describes a temporary feeling or a change of feelings.

We like Claude a lot. We love the stories he tells.

I know a lot of U.S. customs now. We think they're from Spain.

What do you mean? I don't understand.

Cesar has two brothers Some students own cars.

I hear the telephone. Dina looks tired. They both sound sick.

Jane wants to go home now. NOT Jane is wanting to go home now.

I'm loving this book! She's liking him more and more.

He's understanding a lot better these days.

5 Non-Action and Action Verbs

Some verbs can have both a **non-action** and an **action** meaning.

- sense and perception verbs (taste, smell, feel, and look)
- have and think

USAGE NOTE We often use *feel* in the progressive form when it expresses an emotion. The meaning is the same as when we use the simple present form.

NON-ACTION

The soup tastes good (It's good.)

His car looks great. (It's beautiful.)

I have a new watch.

I think he's right.

(I own a new watch.)

(My opinion: He's right.)

I'm having fun.

ACTION

(I'm experiencing fun.)

I'm thinking of going. (I'm considering going.)

He's tasting the soup.

I'm looking at his car.

(I'm examining it.)

(He's trying it.)

I feel very happy about this.

I'm feeling very happy about this.

PRONUNCIATION NOTE

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Pronunciation of What do you and What are you

In informal American English conversation, people often pronounce *What do you...?* and *What are you...?* the same way: "whaddaya."

- A: What do you do? (whaddaya)
- B: What are you doing? (whaddaya)

REFERENCE NOTES

For spelling rules on forming the present progressive, see Appendix 21 on page 462.

For **spelling rules** on forming the third-person singular of the **simple present**, see Appendix 20 on page 461.

For pronunciation rules for the simple present, see Appendix 29 on page 466.

For contractions of I am, you are, etc., see Appendix 26 on page 464.

For a list of **non-action verbs**, see Appendix 2 on page 454.

For the **present progressive** and the **simple present** to talk about the **future**, see Unit 6 on page 76.

STEP 3 FOCUSED PRACTICE

EXERCISE 1 DISCOVER THE GRAMMAR

GRAMMAR NOTES 1–5 Read the postings by Brian, a Canadian student studying in Argentina. Underline all the verbs that describe what is happening now. Circle the verbs that describe what regularly happens.

JUNE 30: 7:30 p.m. My host parents <u>are</u> still <u>working</u>. Carlos, my 'father," works at home. My "little brother," Ricardo, is cute. He looks (and acts) a lot like Bobby. Right now, he's looking over my shoulder and trying to read my journal.

JULY 4: The weather is cold here in the summer. I usually spend the first weekend of July at the beach. Today, I'm walking around in a heavy sweater.

JULY 10: I'm sitting in the school cafeteria with some of my classmates. In Canada, I only drink tea, but at the moment I'm having a cup of strong coffee. It tastes great! The students here come from all over the world. Most of them don't speak English, so we're all speaking Spanish. It's a great way to learn!

AUGUST 6: I usually feel great in the evening, but tonight I feel really tired.

AUGUST 25: I'm feeling very comfortable here now—but it's almost time to go home! My host parents usually cook a light dinner, but tonight is a special event. They're preparing a big party for me to say goodbye. I miss them already!

EXERCISE 2 PRESENT PROGRESSIVE OR SIMPLE PRESENT

GRAMMAR NOTES 1-5 Some students are talking outside of a classroom. Circle the correct words to complete their conversations.



Conversation 1

TARO: There's Miguel. He talks / He's talking to Luisa.

MARISA: Yes. They take / They're taking a class together this semester.

TARO: They stand / They're standing very close to each other.

Do you think / Are you thinking that they date / they're dating?

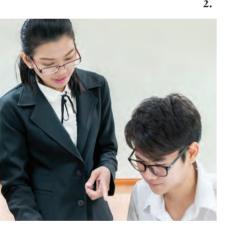
MARISA: No. I don't think / I'm not thinking that it means / it's meaning
6.
7.
anything special. I come / I'm coming from Costa Rica, and people
8.
usually stand / are standing that close to each other there.

9.

Conversation 2

LI-WU: Hi, Paulo. What do you do / are you doing?

PAULO: Oh, I wait / I'm waiting for class to begin.



LI-WU: What's the matter? You seem / You're seeming a little down.

PAULO: I'm just tired I work / I'm working evenings this semester. Hey, is that your teacher over there?

LI-WU: Yes. She talks / She's talking to a classmate.

PAULO: What's wrong? He doesn't look / He's not looking at her.

<u>He seems / He's seeming</u> uncomfortable.

LI-WU: Oh. That doesn't mean / isn't meaning anything. In some countries, 8.

it's not polite to look directly at your teacher.

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B LISTEN AND CHECK Listen to the conversations and check your answers in A

EXERCISE 3 QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

GRAMMAR NOTES 1–5 Other students are talking outside of a classroom. Complete the conversations. Use the present progressive or the simple present form of the verbs in parentheses.

Conversation 1

RASHA: There's Hans. Why is he walking so fast?

Class at 9:00. He still 10 minutes!

2. (start) fast. I 5. (think) Swiss people often 6. (appear)



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Conversation	٠,
Conversation	~

IZUMI:	Isn't that Sergio and		
		they	
	hands? They already	each (other!
LI-JING:	In Brazil, men	hands every 3. (shake)	time they
3	4. (meet)	. It's normal in their cultur	e.
IZUM:		women	hands, too?

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B LISTEN AND CHECK Listen to the conversations and check your answers in A.

EXERCISE 4 AFFIRMATIVE AND NEGATIVE STATEMENTS

GRAMMAR NOTES 1–2, 5 Look at Brian's schedule in Argentina. He usually has a regular schedule, but today some things are different. Complete the sentences. Use the present progressive or the simple present. Choose between affirmative and negative.

5. (shake)

7:00-8:00	-run in the park get ready for a field trip
8:30–12:30	-attend class- go on a field trip to the museum
1:00-2:00	eat lunch
2:00-3:00	-study with my classmates work on the family web page
3:00-5:00	work in the cafeteria
5:00-6:30	-do homework play tennis
6:30-8:30	-play tennis watch a DVD with Eva
8:30-9:30	have dinner
9:30-10:00	-send emails take a walk with the family
10:00-10:30	-take a shower— do homework

1. Brian alv	vays <u>runs in the park</u>	early in the morning,
but toda	ay he <i>is getting ready for a field trip</i>	
2. Brian usi	ually	between 8:30 and 12:30,
but toda	y he	
3. He alway	ys	between 1:00 and 2:00.
4. It's 1:30.	He	
5. He norm	nally	after lunch,
but toda	y he	
6. Every da	y from 3:00 to 5:00, he	

7.	It's 5:15, but he	now.
	He	instead.
8.	It's 6:45, but he	
	He	
9.	It's 8:30. Brian	
10.	He always	at 8:30.
ι1.	After dinner, Brian usually	
	but tonight he	
12.	It's 10:15, but he	
	He	

EXERCISE 5 WHAT DO YOU, WHAT ARE YOU, OR WHADDAYA

PRONUNCIATION NOTE Listen to the questions and answers. Check (/) Formal if you hear What do you or What are you in the question. Check (/) Informal if you hear Whaddaya.

		Formal	Informal
1.	What are you doing?		\checkmark
2.	What do you do after school?	ES	
3.	What do you usually eat for lunch?		
4.	What are you reading these days?		7
5.	What do you like to read?		
6.	What do you like to read?		

EXERCISE 6 EDITING

GRAMMAR NOTES 1-5 Read this student's blog entry. There are eleven mistakes in the use of the present progressive or simple present. The first mistake is already corrected. Find and correct ten more.

It's 12:30 and I sit in the library right now.

I'm sitting

My classmates are eating lunch together, but I don't feel hungry yet. At home, we eat never this early. Today, our journal topic is culture shock (the strange feelings you have when you visit a foreign country for the first



time). It's a good topic for me right now because I'm being pretty homesick. I miss speaking my native language with my friends. And I miss my old routine. At home, we always are eating a big meal at 2:00 in the afternoon. Then we rest. But here in Toronto, I'm having a 3:00 conversation class. Every day, I almost fall asleep in class, and my teacher ask me, "Are you bored?" Of course I'm not bored. I just need my afternoon nap! This class always is fun. This semester, we work on a project with videos. My team is filming groups of people from different cultures at social events. We are analyze "personal space." That is meaning how close to each other these people stand. According to my new watch, it's 12:55, and I have a 1:00 class. That's all for now. Teachers here really aren't liking lateness!

STEP 4 COMMUNICATION PRACTICE

EXERCISE 7 LISTENING

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⚠ You are going to listen to five short interviews of foreign students studying at a summer language program in the United States. Listen and check (✓) the things the students *Usually* do and the things they are doing *Now or These Days*. Then listen again and check your answers.

and check your answers.	Usually	Now or These Days	
1. Ana			
a. speak English		\triangleleft	
b. speak Spanish			
2. Mehmet			
a. live in a small town			
b. live in a big city			
3. Eva			
a. walk slowly			
b. move quickly			
4. Paulo		—	
a. wear a watch			
b. ask other people for the time			23
5. Olga			G
a. study grammar and pronunciation			
b . study English literature			

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B Work with a partner. Listen to each interview again. Discuss the questions.

Interview 1

How does Ana feel? Why?

What does she find most difficult? Why?

EXAMPLE: A: Ana feels good.

B: Yes. Things are going well for her. She . . .

Interview 2

Does Mehmet like living in New York? Why or why not?

Interview 3

Is Eva experiencing culture shock?

What does she think about the "pace of life" in the United States?

Interview 4

What does Paulo do at home without a watch?

Why is Paulo upset?

Do you wear a watch? Why or why not?

Interview 5

How does Olga feel about her classes? Why?

What is she studying now?

EXERCISE 8 FIND SOMEONE WHO...

GAME Walk around your classroom. Ask your classmates questions and fill out the chart. The first person to finish wins.

EXAMPLE: A: Tania, are you living in a dormitory?

B: No, I'm not. I'm living with a family.

Find someone who	Name
isn't living in a dormitory	
likes visiting foreign countries	
speaks more than two languages	
is studying something in addition to English	
doesn't watch sports on TV	
is planning to travel abroad this year	
(add your own)	· ·

B Report back to the class.

EXAMPLE: Tania isn't living in a dormitory.

EXERCISE 9 WHAT'S HAPPENING?

PICTURE DISCUSSION Work with a partner. Look at the photos. Describe them. What's happening? How do the people feel? Discuss possible explanations for each situation. Compare your answers with those of your classmates.

EXAMPLE: A: She's pointing and she looks . . .

B: She also has a finger in front of her . . . Maybe she . . .









EXERCISE 10 IS IT OK IN YOUR CULTURE?

⚠ CROSS-CULTURAL COMPARISON Look at the questions. In your culture, which questions are appropriate to ask someone you just met? Check (✓) OK. Which questions are not appropriate? Check (✓) NOT OK.

	Questions	OK	NOT OK
1.	Are you married?		
2.	How much rent do you pay?		
3.	How old are you?		
4.	What are you studying?		
5.	What do you do?		
6.	Where do you live?		

B Work in a group. Compare your choices with those of your classmates.

EXAMPLE: A: In my culture, it's OK to ask someone the question "Are you married?" What about in your culture?

B: It depends. It's OK for an older person to ask a young person this question. But, it's *not* OK for a man to ask a strange woman the question. What about in your culture?

What are other examples of inappropriate questions in your culture?

EXAMPLE: A: In my culture, it's not OK to ask someone the questions "How tall are you?" or "What do you weigh?" What about in your culture?

B: ...

FROM GRAMMAR TO WRITING

(New	Experience)
Usually	Now
/RITE Use your outline to write a paragraph	about your new experience. How is it
ent from what you usually do? How do you	
ever to contrast your usual experience with your mistakes in the chart.	your new experience. Iry to avoid the
	nts, but this month I'm living with my
	rent. My aunt always makes dinner at 6:00.
However, at home we never eat before 8	
nmon Mistakes in Using the Present P	Durania and Cinnella Buranak
	Progressive and Simple Present
the simple present with most non-action	I think my aunt's dinners are great.
os. Do not use the present progressive.	NOT I am thinking my aunt's dinners are great.
an adverb of frequency before the simple	We always eat at 6:00.
sent verb. Do not put it after the verb.	NOT We gat always at 6:00.
an adverb of frequency after the verb be .	She is always on time.
not put it before be.	NOT She always is on time.
HECK YOUR WORK Read your paragraph. U	Inderline once the present progressive and
rline twice the simple present forms. Circle	the adverbs of frequency. Use the Editing
klist to check your work.	
ting Checklist	
you use?	U _A
the present progressive to describe something	og that is happening right now
the simple present to describe what regularly	v happens
the simple present with non-action verbs such	
Proposition action verbo back	

D REVISE YOUR WORK Read your paragraph again. Can you improve your writing? Make changes if necessary. Give your paragraph a title.

UNIT 1 REVIEW

Test yourself on the grammar of the unit.

- Circle the correct words to complete the sentences.
- 1. What courses are you taking / do you take this semester?
- 2. I don't / I'm not understand this phrase. What's culture shock?
- 3. At home, we often speak / speak often Spanish.
- 4. Look! That's my teacher. He's talking / He talks to Andrea, one of my classmates.
- 5. Are / Do you feel better today?
- Complete the conversation with the present progressive or simple present form of the verbs in parentheses.

A:	What	you	1. (do)	right now?		
B:	Not much. I	j	ust	a video	o game. Why?	
A:		_ you	(want) to §	get some lunch?		
B:	Sure. I usually	4. (not eat)	this early, but l	5. (feel)	pretty hi	angry right now
A:	Mmm, mushroom s	soup. It	go (look)	ood.		
B:	It	good, thou	gh. I had it yeste	erday.		
A:	Hey, there's Costa as	nd Libby. Why		they	8. (shout)	_ like that?
	9. (be)	_ they angry?				
B:	I don't think so. The	ey always	10. (talk)	like that. Let's g	o sit with them	n. They're fun.

Find and correct five mistakes.

I live in Qatar, but right now I stay in Wisconsin. I'm studying English here. I have a good time this summer, but in some ways it's a pretty strange experience. Summer in Wisconsin feel like winter in Qatar! Every weekend, I go to the beach with some classmates, but I go never into the water—it's too cold! I'm enjoy my time here though, and my culture shock is going away fast.

Now check your answers on page 475.