

Collaborative Practice - Present Progressive

Instructions: Complete the tasks below with your partners.

Activity 1: Affirmative Statements

Mark the correct words in **bold** to complete the email.

Hi Antonio,

Remember me? I'm Hye Won Paik from Korea. We were together at the English Language Institute. I ('m work / **'m working**) for a Korean cosmetics company now. I'm in Madrid this week on business, and I (stay / **'m staying**) at the Hotel Ritz. I (meeting / **'m meeting**) with clients from all over Spain. Right now, I (sit / **'m sitting**) in the hotel lobby and (watch / **watching**) people. I ('m think / **'m thinking**) about you, too. Do you remember the fun we had in English class six years ago? If you're free and in Madrid this week, please write or call.

Your friend from long ago,

Hye Won

Activity 2: Affirmative and Negative Statements

Complete the paragraphs with the present progressive forms of the verbs in parentheses.

Hye Won is a director of a cosmetics company. This week she is traveling (travel) on business. She is meeting (meet) with clients in Spain. It's 8:00 in the evening. Hye Won is having (have) dinner with a client. They are eating (eat) at Casa Paco, a top restaurant in Madrid. Hye Won and the client is not talking (not / talk) about business right now. They are comparing (compare) customs in Spain and Korea. On this trip, Hye Won is spending (spend) a week in Madrid and two days in London.

Hye Won loves her job and her lifestyle. She says, "I'm glad I'm not married. I am enjoying (enjoy) my freedom. I am not looking (not / look) for a husband at the moment. Maybe later." Hye Won's parents are beginning (begin) to worry, but Hye Won is very happy.

Activity 3: Editing

Find and correct seven grammar mistakes in this paragraph.

I'm sitting in the park. It's a beautiful day. The leaves are changing color. Today there are a lot of children in the park. They are laughing and playing. They are not studying. They're lucky. It's hard to study on a beautiful day. I am trying to study for a test. I'm waiting for my classmate, Grace. We like to work together.

Activity 4: Yes/No and WH Questions

Complete Ann and Don's conversation with the correct forms of the words in parentheses. Use the present progressive.

Ann: Hi, Don. how are you feeling (how / you / feel)? Are you feeling any better_____ (you / feel / any better)?

Don: No, I'm not.

Ann: Have you taken the medication (you / take / the medicine)?

Don: Yes, I am. _Where are you calling from _____ (where / you / call from)?

Ann: I'm at an Italian restaurant. Don. Listen to this. Will Smith is eating here, too!

Don: No kidding! _____Who is he eating with_ (who / he / eat / with)?

Ann: I think he's with his daughter. I'm not sure.

Don: Are people asking for his autograph (people / ask for his autograph)?

Ann: No. Nobody's bothering him, but everyone knows he's here.

Activity 5: Present Simple, Non-Action Verbs, Present Progressive

Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the verbs from the box.

Answer Ask Know Look Need Swim Take Talk Want

John _needs_____ a new phone. He ___needs___ a waterproof phone because he __swimming ___ every day. He _is looking _____ for a phone with a good camera because he often takes photos. Right now, John is talking to a saleswoman. He is asking her a lot of questions. The saleswoman answers all his questions. She knows a lot about phones. She's good at her job.