Present Continuous Tense – ESL Worksheet

Story: A Busy Day at School

It is Monday morning. The students are arriving at school. Some children are walking to their classrooms. Others are talking with their friends. The teacher is standing at the door and smiling.

In the classroom, the students are sitting at their desks. The teacher is writing on the board. She is explaining the lesson. The students are listening carefully and taking notes. Mia is drawing a picture in her notebook. Noa is raising his hand to ask a question. Marlo is reading a book quietly.

At break time, the children are playing outside. Some are jumping rope. Others are kicking a ball. A group of kids is playing tag. Everyone is having fun and enjoying the fresh air.

After break, the students are working on a science project. They are looking at pictures of animals and writing facts. The teacher is helping them with new words. The children are learning and working together.

It is a busy day, and everyone is doing their best!

Vocabulary List

Word/Phrase	Meaning
arriving	coming to a place
standing	being on your feet
explaining	telling how something works
raising his hand	lifting a hand to ask a question
quietly	not loudly
kicking a ball	hitting the ball with your foot
tag (game)	a chasing game
project	a group task or activity
facts	true information

Activities

1. Match the Action

Match the person with what they are doing in the story.

___ Marlo
___ Noa
___ The teacher
___ The children at break

a. is writing on the board
b. is reading a book quietly
c. are playing tag
d. is raising his hand

2. Fill in the Blanks (Present Continuous)

Use the correct -ing verb.

1. The students are _____ (sit) at their desks.
2. The teacher is _____ (help) the children.
3. Some kids are _____ (kick) a ball.
4. Mia is _____ (draw) a picture.
5. They are _____ (work) on a science project.

3. Ask and Answer

Practice in pairs or write answers:

- What are the students doing in the morning?
- What is Marlo doing?
- Are the kids playing or studying at break time?
- What is the teacher doing during the science project?