

Present progressive forms

Correct Forms

Bob: **I am enjoying** the show. How about you?
Linda: Me too. **I am having** a lot of fun.

Common Errors

~~I enjoying~~ the show. How about you?
I am ~~enjoy~~ the show. How about you?

To make positive statements, use the auxiliary verb "to be" (*am, is, are*) in the following order:

Subject + **auxiliary** + **basic verb form+ing**

If verb ends in 'e', drop the 'e': *have --> having*

Shhh! **You're** making too much noise.

Shhh! ~~You're~~ making too much noise.

'Your' is a possessive adjective: Is this **your** book?

Look at the kids! **They're** having a lot of fun.

Look at the kids! ~~They're~~ having a lot of fun.
Look at the kids! ~~There're~~ having a lot of fun.

'Their' is a possessive adjective:
'There' means 'in that place'

My parents are coming in **their** car.
I wonder what they're doing **there**.

I'm bored. I **am not enjoying** this show.

I'm bored. I ~~am not~~ enjoying this show.
I'm bored. I ~~don't~~ enjoying this show.

To make negative statements, use the following order:

Subject + **auxiliary** + **not** + **verb+ing**

Paula's sick. She **isn't** coming to work today.

Paula's sick. She ~~isn't~~ coming to work today..
Paula's sick. She ~~isn't~~ coming to work today.

To form contractions replace the dropped vowel with an apostrophe.

- It's not raining today. (drop the 'i'.)
- It isn't raining today. (drop the 'o'.)

Where **are you going** for your vacation?

Where ~~you are going~~ for your vacation?
Where ~~do you going~~ for your vacation?

To ask most types of questions, use the following order:

auxiliary + **subject** + **basic verb form+ing**