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Forming the Progressive Tense Mini Test

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 - b) They are having their tea. past progressive / present progressive
 - c) I was thinking about my mum. past progressive / present progressive
 - d) She is dancing around. past progressive / present progressive
 - e) It is snowing again. past progressive / present progressive
 - f) The pilot was coming in to land. past progressive / present progressive
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Past Progressive Tense	Present Progressive Tense
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	He is looking for somewhere to live.
	She is turning the car around.
It was coming closer all the time.	

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3. Finish the sentences using the Past Progressive Tense.

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- a) When the doctor came, she _____
- b) Before he went to sleep, he _____
- c) To impress his mum, he _____

Finish the sentences using the Present Progressive Tense.

6 marks

- a) Now the weather is warmer, I _____
- b) Today he _____
- c) That mountain over there is the one we _____

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4. Use the Past Progressive Tense to describe three things you were doing when you were one year old.

Use the Present Progressive Tense to describe three things you are doing right now.

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3 Finish the sentences using the past progressive tense

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- a) When the doctor came, she **was sleeping soundly**.
- b) Before he went to sleep, he **was reading under the cover**.
- c) To impress his mum, he **was learning a new magic trick**.

Finish the sentences using the present progressive tense

- a) Now the weather is warmer, I **am planning to walk more**.
- b) Today he **is going to go home**.
- c) That mountain over there is **the one we are climbing today**.

4 One mark given for each sentence.

6 marks

Use the past progressive tense to describe three things you were doing when you were one year old.

e.g. I was sleeping in my cot / I was eating mushy food / I was crying quite a lot.

Use the present progressive tense to describe three things you are doing right now.

e.g. I am doing this test / I am writing the answers / I am waiting for lunch.