

Present and Past Progressive

	Person	Present Tense	Past Tense
singular	I	am	was
	he/she/it	is	was
	you	are	were
plural	we	are	were
	you	are	were
	they	are	were

We use the verb “to be” alongside the main verb (with **ing** on the end) to form the present progressive and the past progressive tense.

For example:

Present progressive

She is eating.

I am eating.

The cows are eating.

Past progressive

She was eating.

I was eating.

The cows were eating.

YOUR LEARNING

Use the verbs below, along with the verb “to be” in its correct form, to create some science fiction sentences about aliens.

discover	fly	observe	invade
search	watch	record	visit

Please create three present progressive sentences, and three past progressive sentences.

Here are some examples of each:

Present Progressive

Hostile aliens **are attacking** earth!

The smallest little-green-alien **is watching** everyone intently.

Past Progressive

The smallest little-green-alien **was watching** everyone intently.

Hostile aliens **were attacking** earth!