

Progressive and Non-progressive Uses of Verbs Exercise

Some verbs are not normally used in progressive (continuous) forms. Some have both progressive and non-progressive forms with different meanings.

This grammar exercise tests your understanding of common progressive and non-progressive verbs.

1. I fine.

feel

am feeling

Either could be used here

2. I you shouldn't do this.

feel

am feeling

Either could be used here

3. What you about my hair style?

do, think

are, thinking

Either could be used here

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4. I your dad tomorrow.

see

am seeing

5. The fish awful.

smells

is smelling

Either could be used here

6. I this song.

like

am liking

Either could be used here

7. I rang her up because I to talk.

wanted

was wanting

Either could be used here

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8. I what you mean.

see

am seeing

Either could be used here

9. The stew wonderful.

tastes

is tasting

Either could be used here

10. If I the answer, I will tell you.

am knowing

know

Either could be used here

11. He 85 kg.

is weighing

weighs

Either could be used here

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12. you in God?

Do, believe

Are, believing

Answers

1. I feel / am feeling fine.
2. I feel you shouldn't do this.
3. What do you think about my hair style?
4. I am seeing your dad tomorrow.
5. The fish smells awful.
6. I like this song.
7. I rang her up because I wanted to talk.
8. I see what you mean.
9. The stew tastes wonderful.
10. If I know the answer, I will tell you.
11. He weighs 85 kg.
12. Do you believe in God?