

GRAMÁTICA

Say What Is Happening: Present Progressive

When you want to say that an action is happening now, use the **present progressive**.

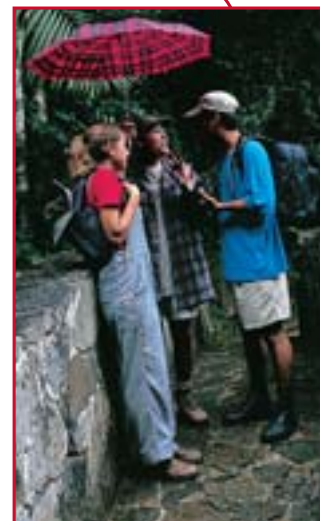
estoy esperando**estás esperando****está esperando****estamos esperando****estáis esperando****están esperando**

Ignacio says: —¡**Está lloviendo**!

It's raining!

Roberto replies: —Te **estamos esperando**...

We're waiting for you...



To form this tense, use:

the present tense of **estar** + **present participle**

To form the present participle of a verb, drop the **ending** of the infinitive and add **-ando** or **-iendo**.

-ar verbs**esperar****← ando****esperando****-er verbs****comer****← iendo****comiendo****-ir verbs****escribir****← iendo****escribiendo**

When the **stem** of an **-er** or **-ir** verb ends in a vowel, change the **-iendo** to **-yendo**.

leer → **leyendo**

oír → **oyendo**

creer → **creyendo**