



BATTLE PLAN: THE PROGRESSIVES

The five progressive tenses are formed by combining “estar” and the present participle of another verb.

PRESENT PARTICIPLE

REGULAR VERBS

AR VERBS

ER & IR VERBS

STEM-CHANGING IR VERBS

O TO U

E TO I

O TO U

ER & IR VERBS W/ STEM ENDING IN VOWEL

ER VERBS

IR VERBS

IR

THE PROGRESSIVE TENSES

To form the progressive tenses, conjugate “estar” in the appropriate tense, then add the present participle.

PRESENT PROGRESSIVE: ESTAR (PRESENT) + PRESENT PARTICIPLE

PRETERITE PROGRESSIVE: ESTAR (PRETERITE) + PRESENT PARTICIPLE

IMPERFECT PROGRESSIVE: ESTAR (IMPERFECT) + PRESENT PARTICIPLE

FUTURE PROGRESSIVE: ESTAR (FUTURE) + PRESENT PARTICIPLE

CONDITIONAL PROGRESSIVE: ESTAR (CONDITIONAL) + PRESENT PARTICIPLE