



# **The Present Continuous Tense**

He plays tennis every day

**Present Simple**

He is playing tennis now

**Present Continuous**

# to be + Ving

A diagram illustrating the relationship between the infinitive form 'to be + Ving' and its present tense forms. Three blue arrows point downwards from the words 'to', 'be', and 'Ving' to the words 'am', 'is', and 'are' respectively.

**am**

**is**

**are**

Am - I

Is - He, She, It

Are - You, We, They

listen - listening

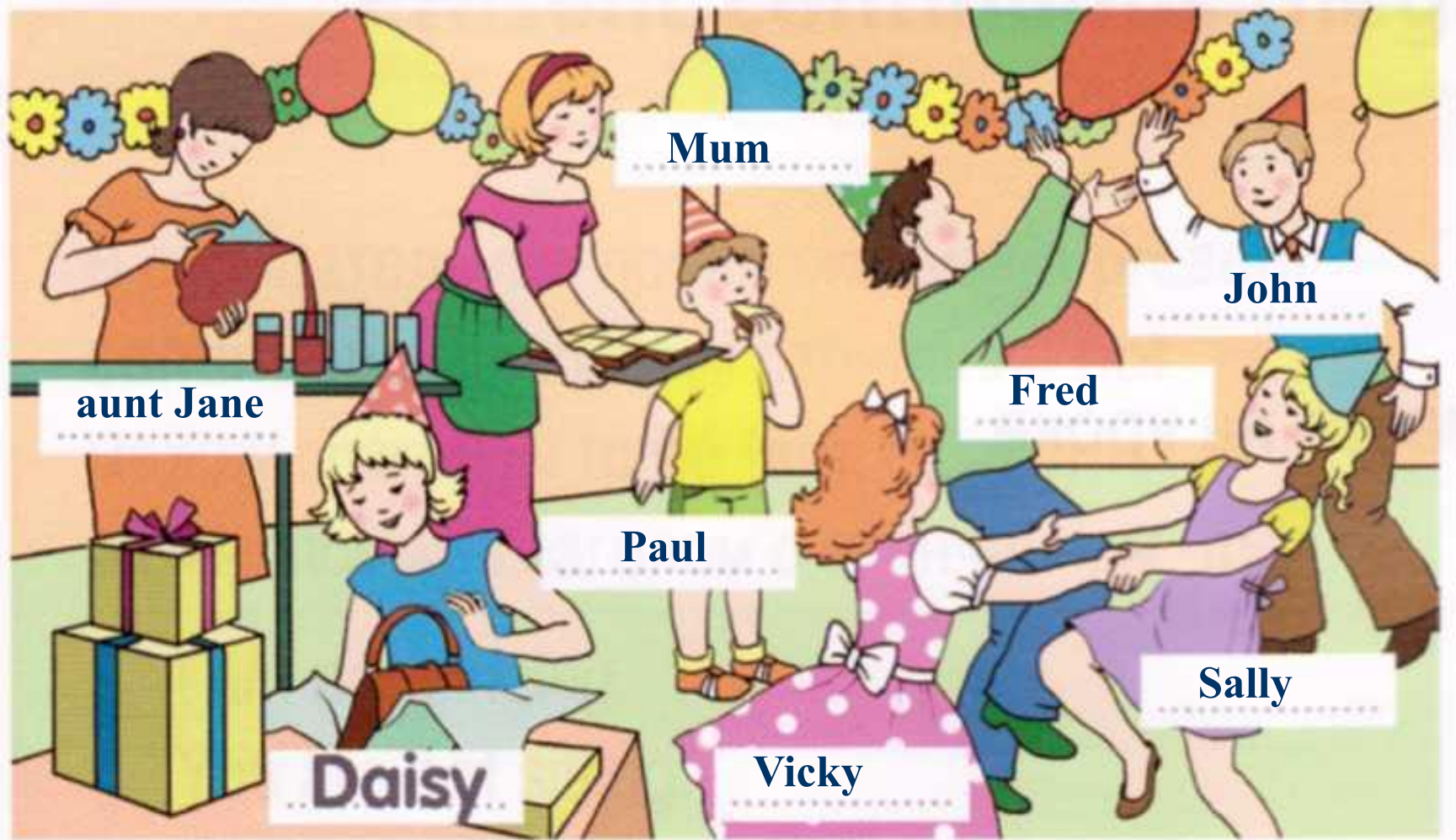
learn - learning

dance<sup>e</sup> - dancing

make<sup>e</sup> - making

watch - watching

put - putting



**Mum**

**John**

**aunt Jane**

**Fred**

**Paul**

**Sally**

**..Daisy..**

**Vicky**

They **are** reading a book

They **are not** reading a book

**Are** they reading a book?

Yes, they are.

No, they are not.



**They are not drawing  
They are singing**





**She is not eating breakfast**  
**She is sleeping**



**They are not reading books  
They are drinking tea**



**He is not reading**  
**He is smiling**



**They are not diving  
They are running**

**They are smiling now.**



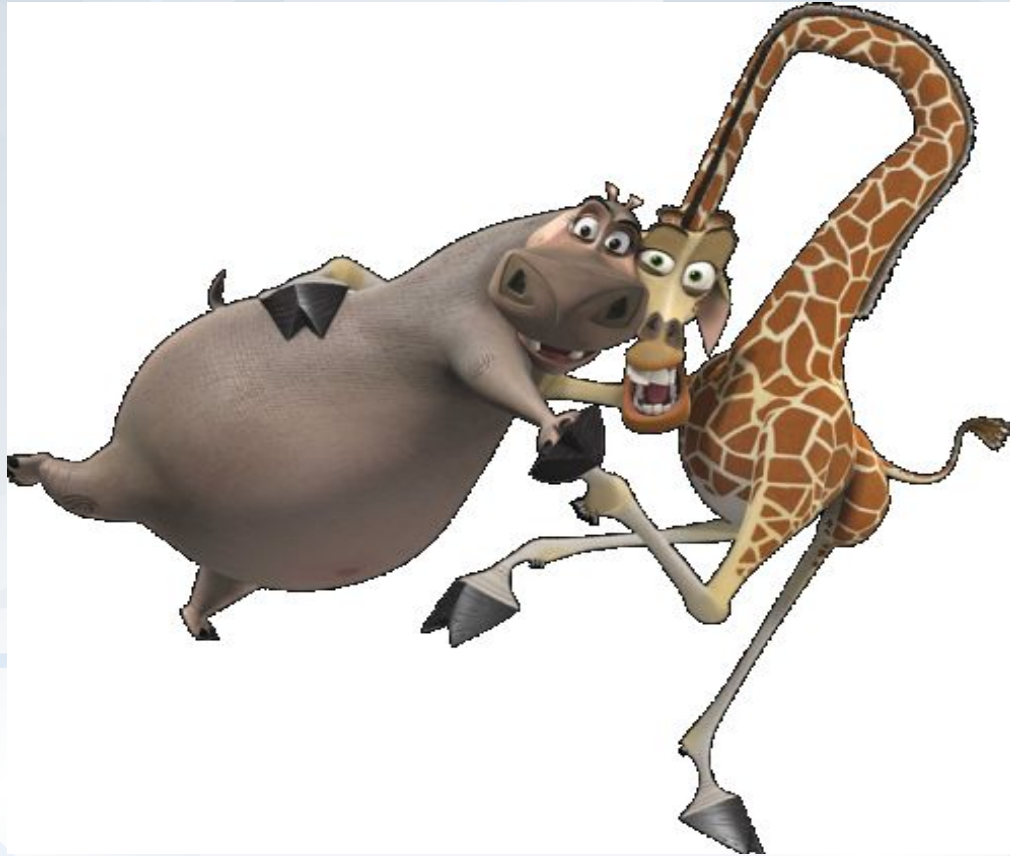
**Are they smiling now? Yes, they are.**

**He is swimming at the moment.**



**Is he swimming at the moment? No, he is not.**

**They are dancing.**



**Are they dancing? Yes, they are.**

**They are sleeping now.**



**Are they sleeping now? No, they are not.**



**He is eating at the moment.**



Is he eating at the moment. No, he is not.