Dialogue Practice with the Continuous Tenses

Future Continuous (Use your name and the name of your partner. Add at least three more lines to this dialogue.)

Sam: Hey, Ramon, guess what? (I will be going to Hawaii on vacation.

Ramon: How exciting! What will you be doing there?

Sam: We will be seeing all the sights—the beaches, the zoo, the beautiful tropical forests—everything!

Ramon: Wow. Where will you be staying-and for how long?

Sam: We will be staying in the Kona Hilton Hotel, right on the beach. We have reservations for six nights and seven days.

Ramon: I wish I could take a vacation like that. I will be doing the same old things while you're gone: working and mowing the lawn.

Sam: One day you'll go on a vacation. All you have to do is save a little money every month. Before you know it, you'll be taking your own vacation.

Past Continuous (Use your name and the name of your partner. Add at least three more lines to this dialogue.)

Carmen: Hey, Ann.

Ann: What's the matter, Carmen? You look depressed.

Carmen: Well, I was going to San Francisco on vacation, but I lost my job.

Ann. Oh, no-that's awful. What were you going to do there?

Carmen: My husband and I were going to spend two weeks seeing all the cool stuff: Fisherman's Wharf, Lombard Street, the Golden Gate Bridge and Alcatraz.

Ann: Sounds like a great trip. When were you leaving?

Carmen: We were leaving a week from Friday. We were staying in a great hotel, right in the center of the city, too And we were planning to rent a car for two days.

Ann: Sounds like you planned a nice trip. I was planning a trip too at the same time. Otherwise, I'd buy your tickets and reservations from you. *Present Perfect Continuous* (Use your name and the name of your partner. Add at least four more lines to this dialogue.)

Van: What's up, Hannah? Why the long face?

Hannah: My boyfriend and I broke up.

A. On, no. I'm sorry to hear that. And it looked like you two have been getting along great.

B. Yea, I thought so too. But he told me that I've getting on his nerves lately.

A. What? That's crazy! It seems like he's been acting weird in the past few days. Maybe there's more to this than meets the eye. You two have been dating for more than a year now.

B. I know. I guess I've been running on faith. Maybe I'll drop by and talk to him in a day or two.

Present Continuous (Use your name and the name of your partner. Add at least four more lines to this dialogue.)

A: Hey, _____, what are you doing?

B: Oh, I'm _____ a book.

A: Why _____ you reading? It's a beautiful day outside.

B: I / read / because my car broke down and I need to fix it.

A: Really? What is your _____ doing?

B: It / make / funny noises.

A: My car / make / funny noises too. But I still drive it.

B: Yea, I know. But these noises / get / worse every day.

A: Well, I /go / to Jose's party right now. Do you want to go?

B:

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