

## Lesson 22: 고 있어요

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In this short lesson, you will learn how to use the present progressive tense ending **고 있어요** to say things like “I am watching a movie.”, “She is reading a book.”, etc.

In Korean the present tense is often used instead of the present progressive tense. For example, the sentence “I am studying now.” can be stated as **지금 공부해요** (present tense form) or **지금 공부하고 있어요** (present progressive tense form).

### KEY INFORMATION

**고 있어요** = present progressive tense ending

## 고 있어요

Changing verbs into the present progressive tense is super easy. There are no special conjugation rules to remember. Simply remove **다** from the base form of a verb and attach **고 있어요** to the verb stem. For example, the verb ‘to sleep’ is **자다** and the present progressive form (sleeping) is **자고 있어요**. Easy right?

### Example Sentences

뭐 해요? = **What are you doing?**

음악을 듣고 있어요. = **I’m listening to music.**

지금 어디에 가요? = **Where are you going now?**

집에 가고 있어요. = **I’m going home.**

어디에서 살고 있어요? = **Where are you living?**

서울에서 살고 있어요. = **I’m living in Seoul.**

지금 만날까요? = **Shall we meet now?**

미안해요. 지금 숙제하고 있어요. = **I’m sorry. I’m doing my homework.**

요즘 뭐 해요? = **What do you do these days?**

한국어를 배우고 있어요. = **I’m learning Korean.**