# **Verb Forms & Tenses: Session 3**

Preparation	Print out and prepare: Actors' Actions Cards, To Progress or Not to Progress?  Game, Large Picture 1: A Spooky Scene, Large Picture 2: Family Christmas and SATs-Style Questions 3.
	Source: Pens/pencils, Whiteboards and pens.
Warm-Up	Actors' Actions  Print out the Actors' Actions Cards and place them face down on the table.  Children take turns to pick a card and complete the action for others to guess.  Together, write sentences on whiteboards. Identify the verbs (and auxiliary verbs) in each of the sentences written.
	If possible, identify the tense of the sentences. This is likely to be mostly present progressive or past progressive, such as:
	Fred <b>is hiding</b> under the table. (present progressive)
	Fred was hiding under the table. (past progressive)
	Some children might use simple past tense, such as:
	Fred <b>hid</b> under the table.
	Can children identify verbs (and auxiliary verbs) in sentences?
Input	To Progress or Not to Progress?
	Using any of the sentences from the Warm-Up as examples, discuss how we use progressive tense to describe something that is (or was) in progress, such as:  Fred <b>is hiding</b> under the table. (This is happening now.)
	Fred was hiding under the table. (This was happening earlier for a period of time.)
	Read the information about present progressive sentences below to children.  • To form the present progressive, you need to use:  'is' or 'are' + 'ing' ending = present progressive
	<ul> <li>To form the past progressive, you need to use:</li> <li>'was' or 'were' + 'ing' ending = past progressive</li> </ul>
	Using <b>To Progress or Not to Progress? Game</b> , play the game in pairs, writing appropriate sentences in present progressive or past progressives.
	Can children write sentences in past progressive or present progressive?





# **Apply**

#### **Picture This**

Explain that you are going to describe a picture by using sentences written in either the present progressive or past progressive. Look at Large Picture 1: A Spooky Scene together and identify verbs (ideally with 'ing' ending) by scribing on a whiteboard.

Examples include: flying, standing, collecting, scaring.

Model using these verbs to write sentences in the present progressive or past progressive, such as:

The spooky witch is flying overhead. (present progressive)

Children were collecting sweets in their pumpkin buckets. (past progressive)

Children then write their own sentences to describe Large Picture 2: Family Christmas and share with the group who have to identify whether they have used past progressive or present progressive.

Can children write sentences in past progressive or present progressive? Can children identify sentences written in past progressive or present progressives?

## Assess & Review

### **SATs-Style Question**

Provide children with different SATs-Style Questions 3 to answer independently and share answers. Ask them to explain how they made their decisions.

Can the child independently answer SATs questions? Can the child explain their answer?



