**Present Continuous v. Present Simple.**

**Permanent and temporary**

**Compare**

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| *She****lives****with her parents.* | We use the present simple to talk about permanent facts and general truths. In this example we don’t expect the situation to change.  Για γενικές αλήθειες και μόνιμες πράξεις (ρουτίνες κ.λ.π). όταν δεν περιμένω να αλλάξει η κατάσταση. |
| *She****’s******living****with her parents.* | We use the present continuous to talk about something temporary.  In this example we do expect the situation to change.  Για προσωρινές καταστάσεις. Η κατάσταση μπορεί να αλλάξει. |

**Compare**

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| *They****speak****Portuguese in Brazil.* | A general, permanent fact. |
| **A:**  *What language* ***are*** *they* ***speaking****?*  **B:**  *They****’re*** ***speaking*** *Portuguese*. | It’s happening now. I can hear it. |