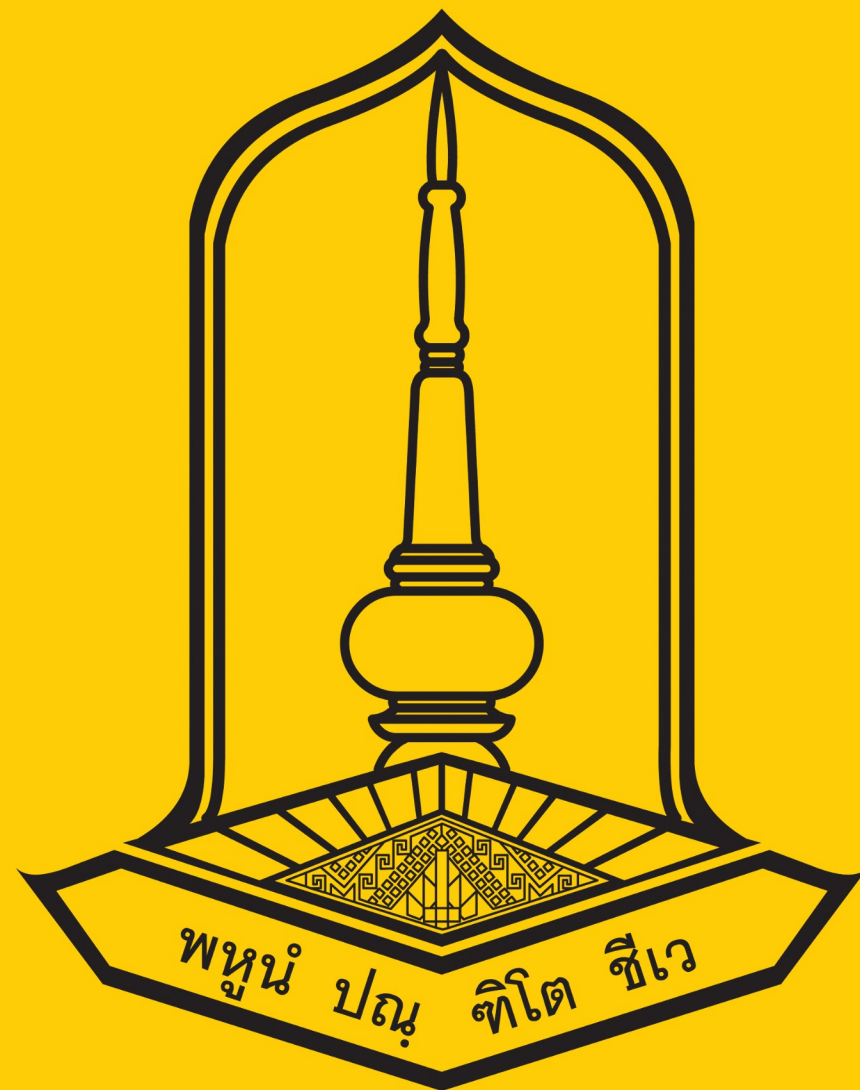


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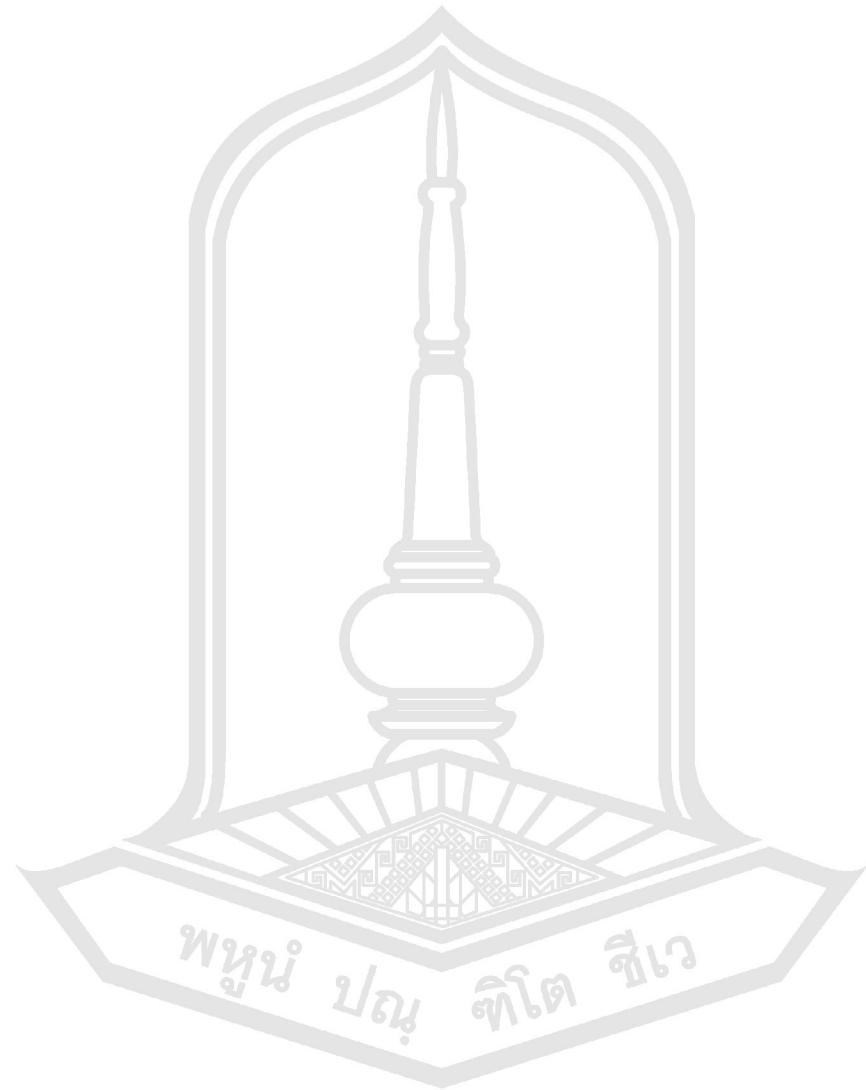
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Present Continuous Tense

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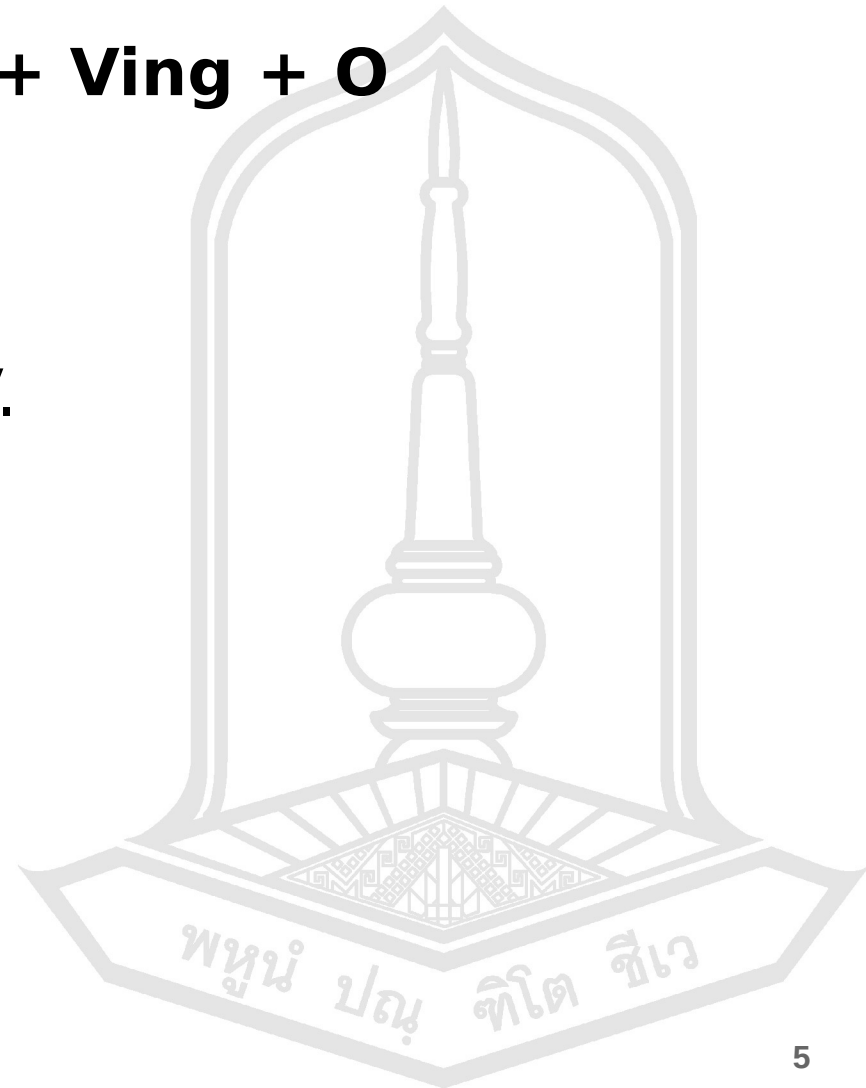
Present Continuous Tense

S + is/am/are + Ving + O

- You **are watching** TV.
- **Are** you **watching** TV?
- You **are not watching** TV.

- He **is speaking**.
- He **isn't speaking**.
- **Is** he **speaking**?

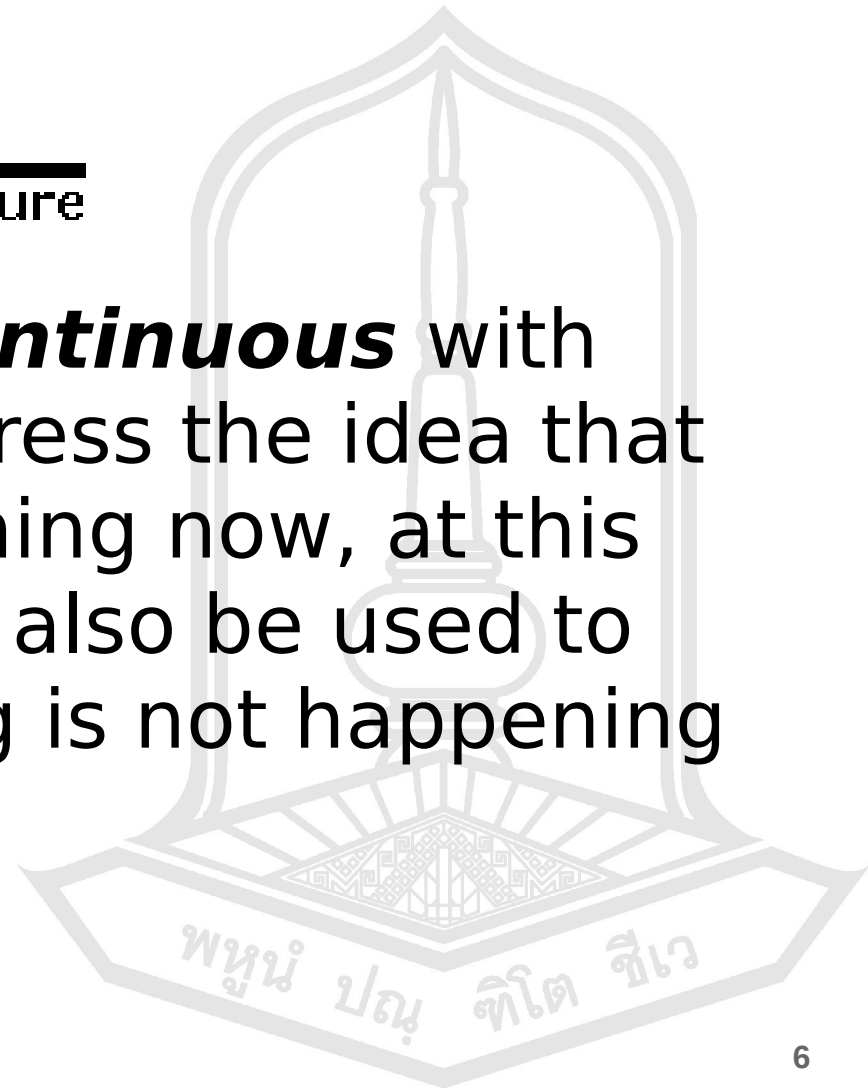
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USE: Now

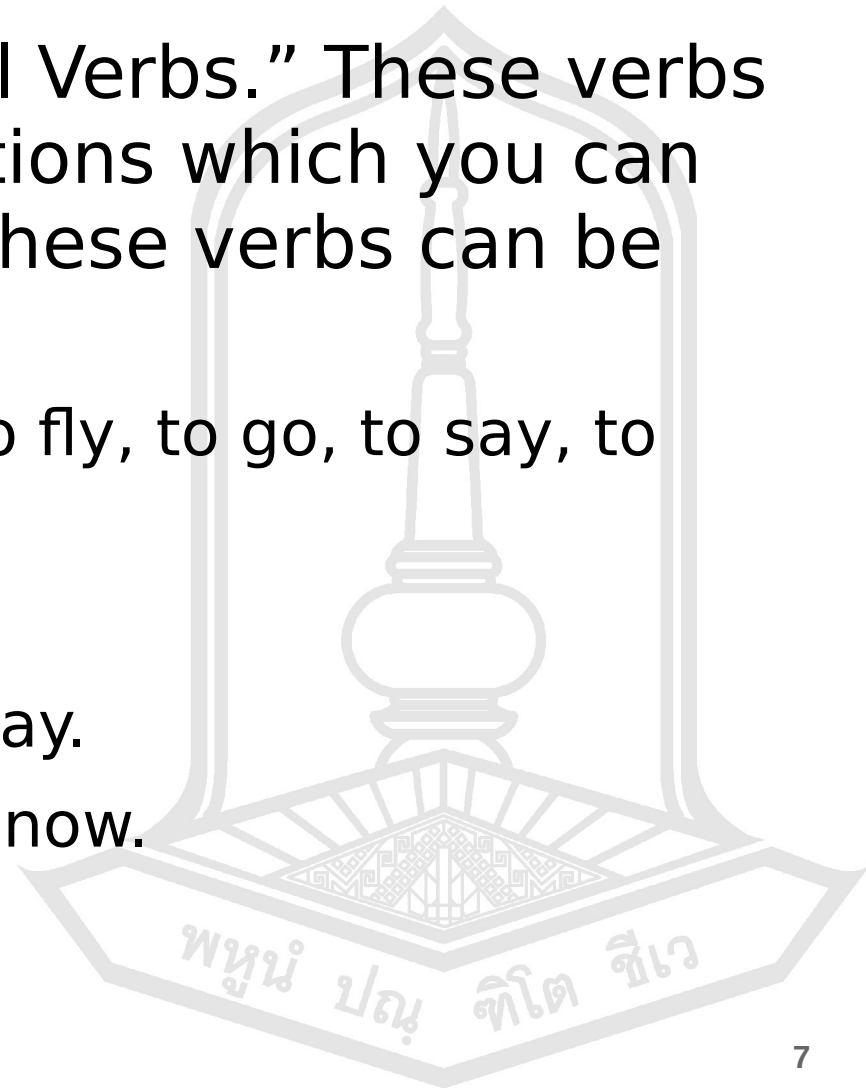


- Use the ***Present Continuous*** with Normal Verbs to express the idea that something is happening now, at this very moment. It can also be used to show that something is not happening now.



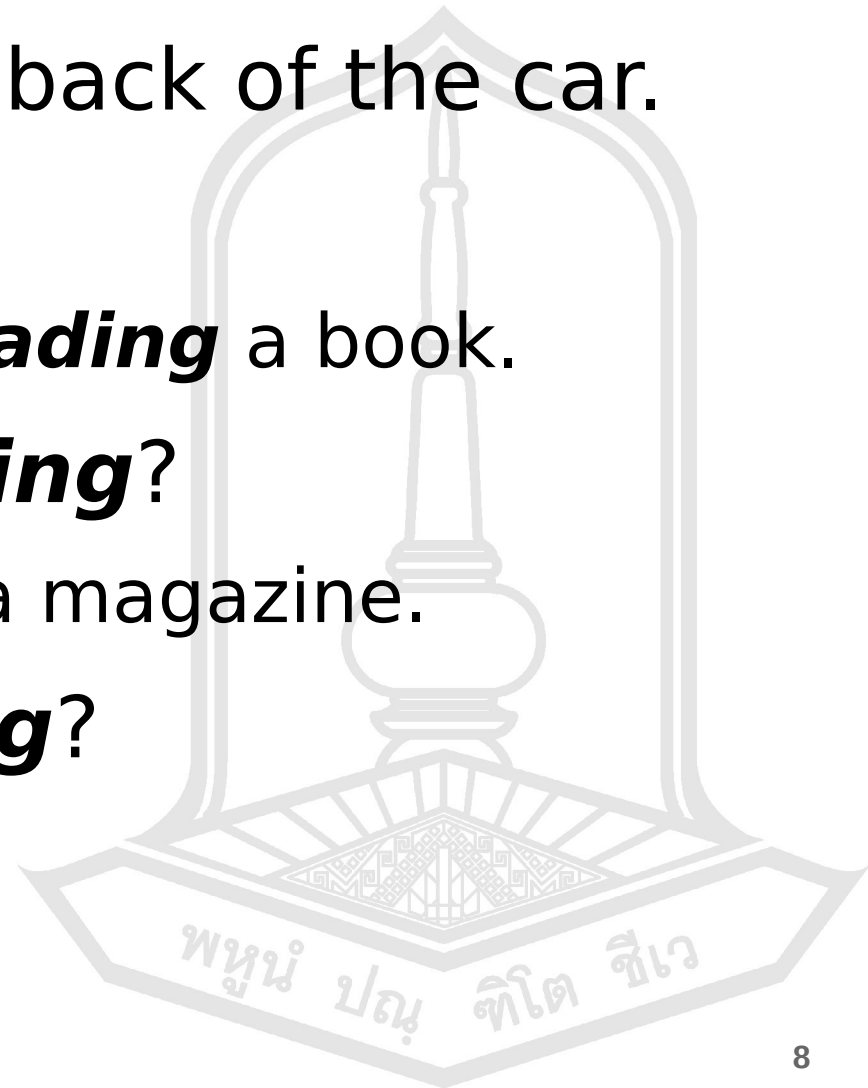
Normal Verbs

- Most verbs are “Normal Verbs.” These verbs are usually physical actions which you can see somebody doing. These verbs can be used in all tenses.
 - to run, to walk, to eat, to fly, to go, to say, to touch, etc.
- Examples:
 - I **walk** to school every day.
 - I **am walking** to school now.



Examples

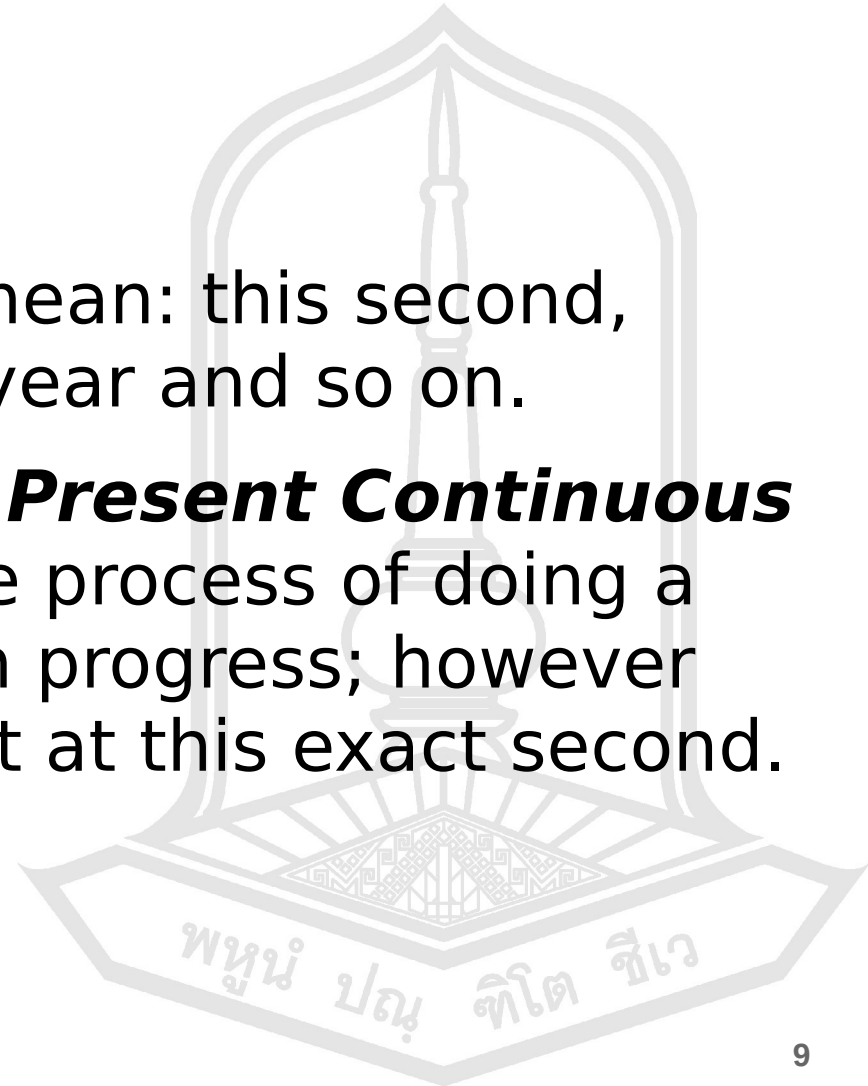
- I ***am sitting*** in the back of the car.
- ***Are you sleeping?***
 - No, I'm ***not***. I'm ***reading*** a book.
- What they're ***reading?***
 - They ***are reading*** a magazine.
- What ***are you doing?***



USE: Longer Actions in Progress Now

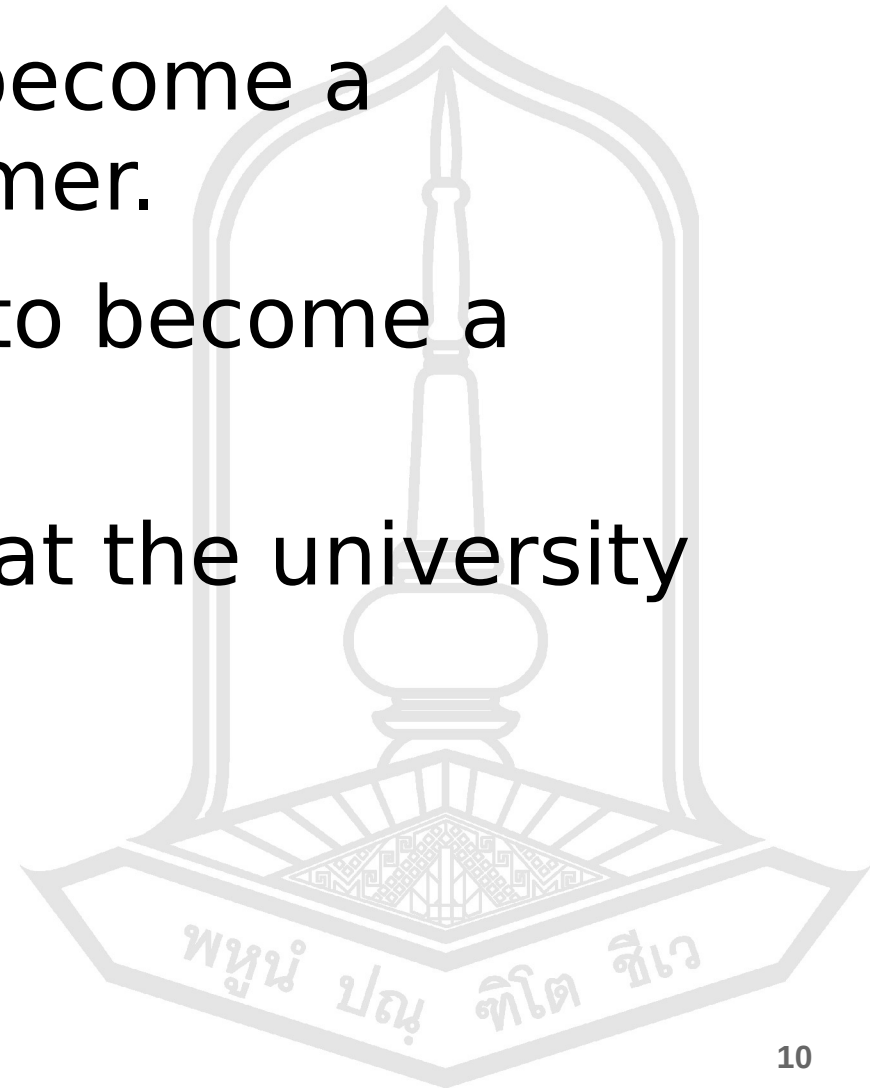


- In English, “**now**” can mean: this second, today, this month, this year and so on.
- Sometimes, we use the **Present Continuous** to say that we are in the process of doing a longer action which is in progress; however we might not be doing it at this exact second.

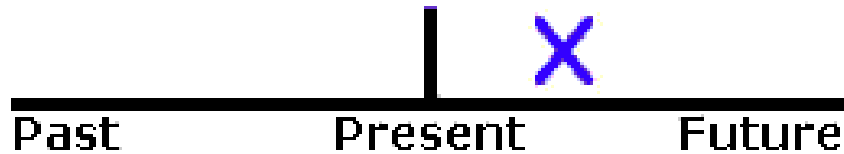


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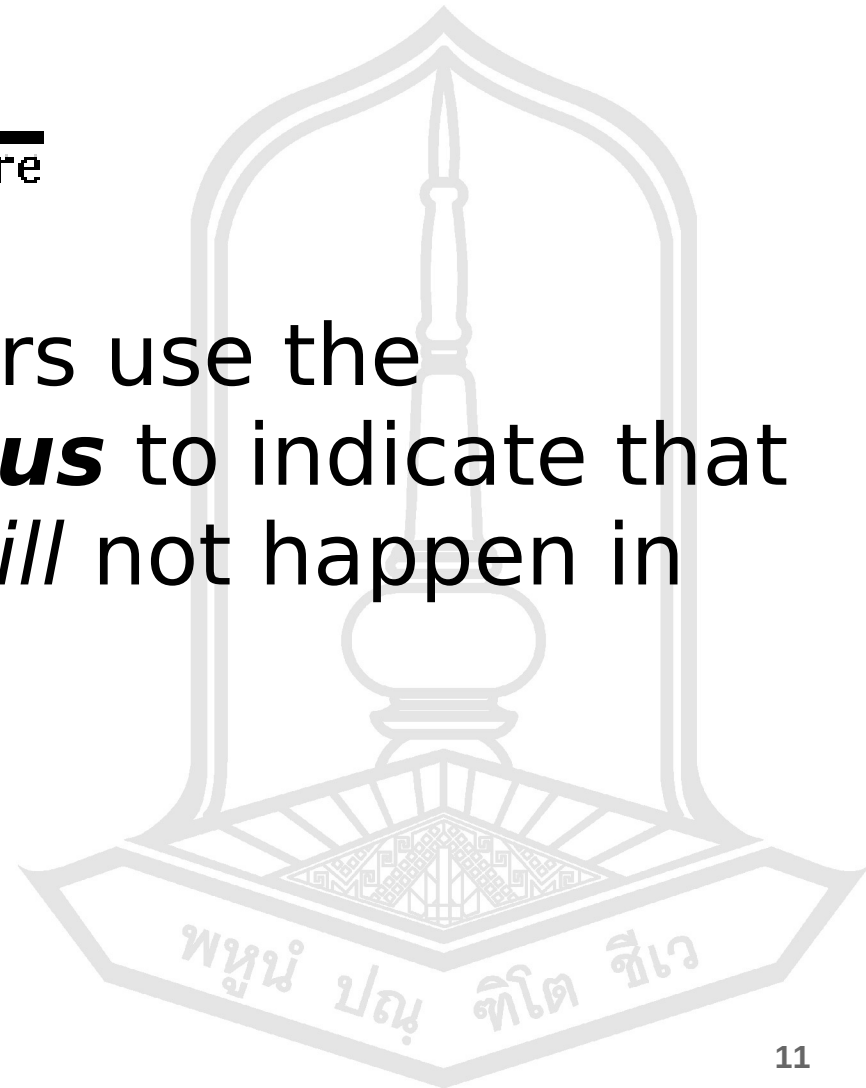
- I ***am studying*** to become a computer programmer.
- I'm ***not studying*** to become a doctor.
- ***Are*** you ***teaching*** at the university now?



USE: Near Future

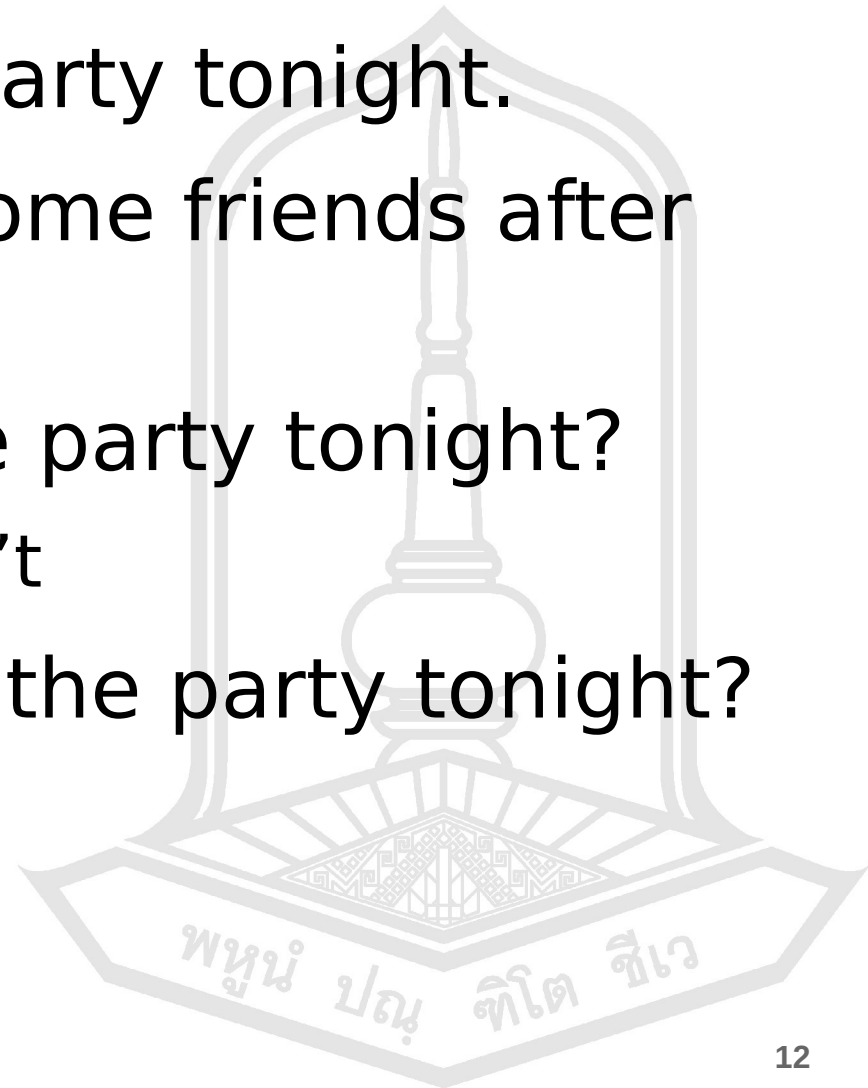


- Sometimes, speakers use the ***Present Continuous*** to indicate that something *will* or *will not* happen in the near future.

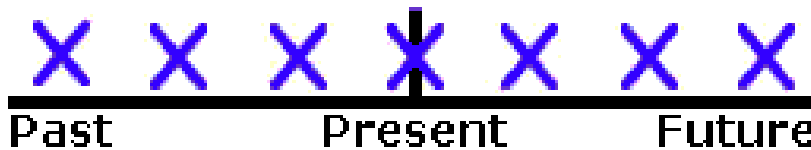


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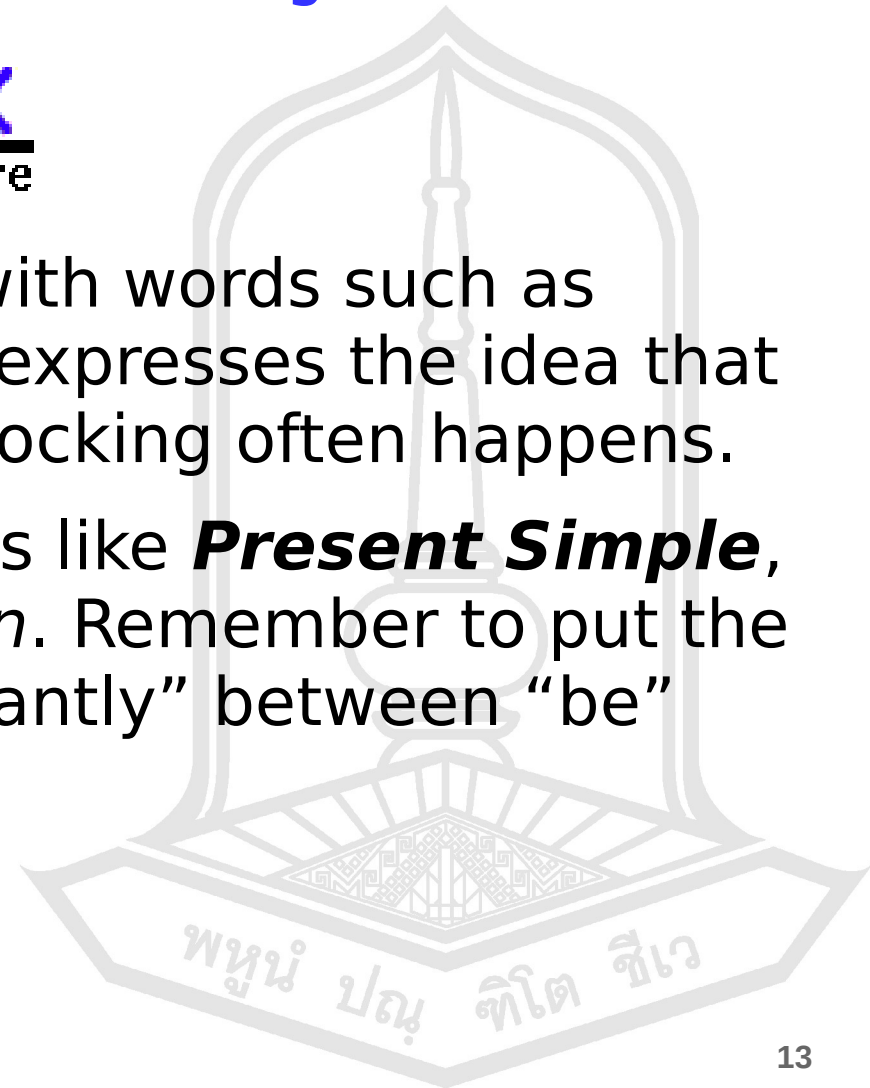
- I ***am going*** to the party tonight.
- I'm ***not meeting*** some friends after work.
- ***Is*** he ***coming*** to the party tonight?
 - Yes, he is. No, he isn't
- ***Isn't*** he ***coming*** to the party tonight?
 - No, he isn't



USE: Repetition and Irritation with “Always”

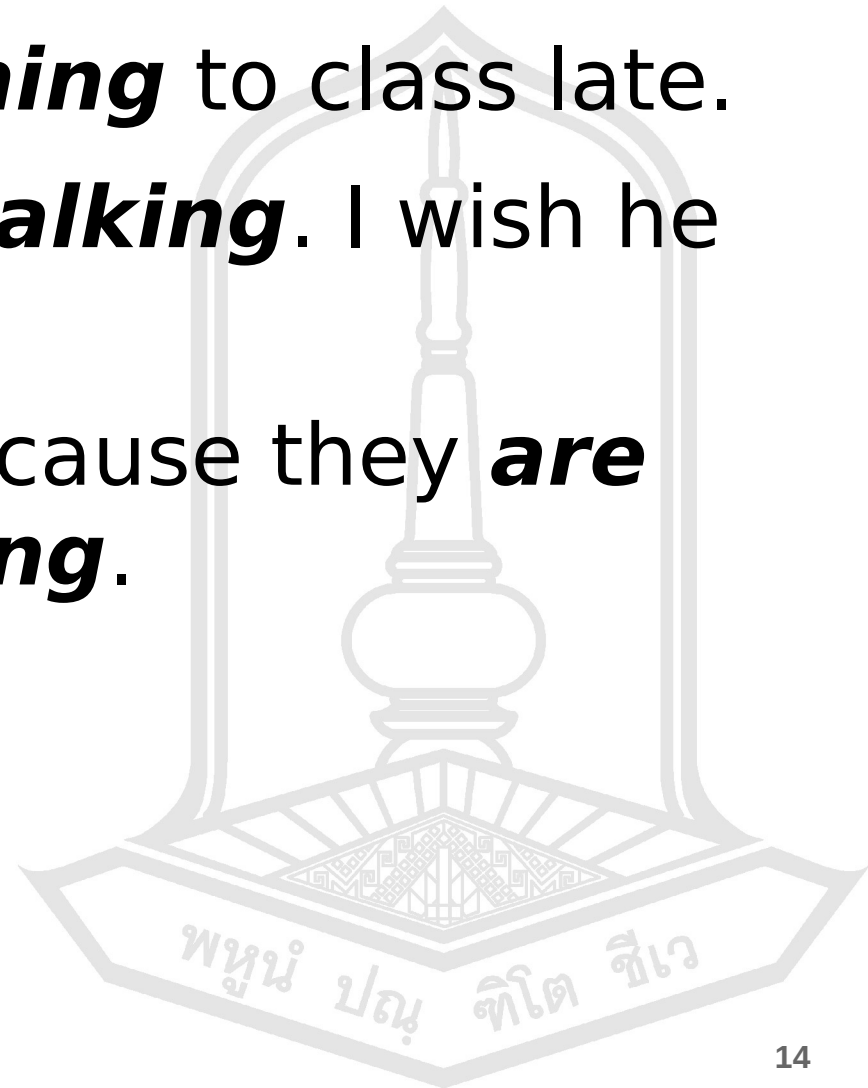


- The Present Continuous with words such as “always” or “constantly” expresses the idea that something irritating or shocking often happens.
- Notice that the meaning is like **Present Simple**, but with *negative emotion*. Remember to put the words “always” or “constantly” between “be” and “Ving.”



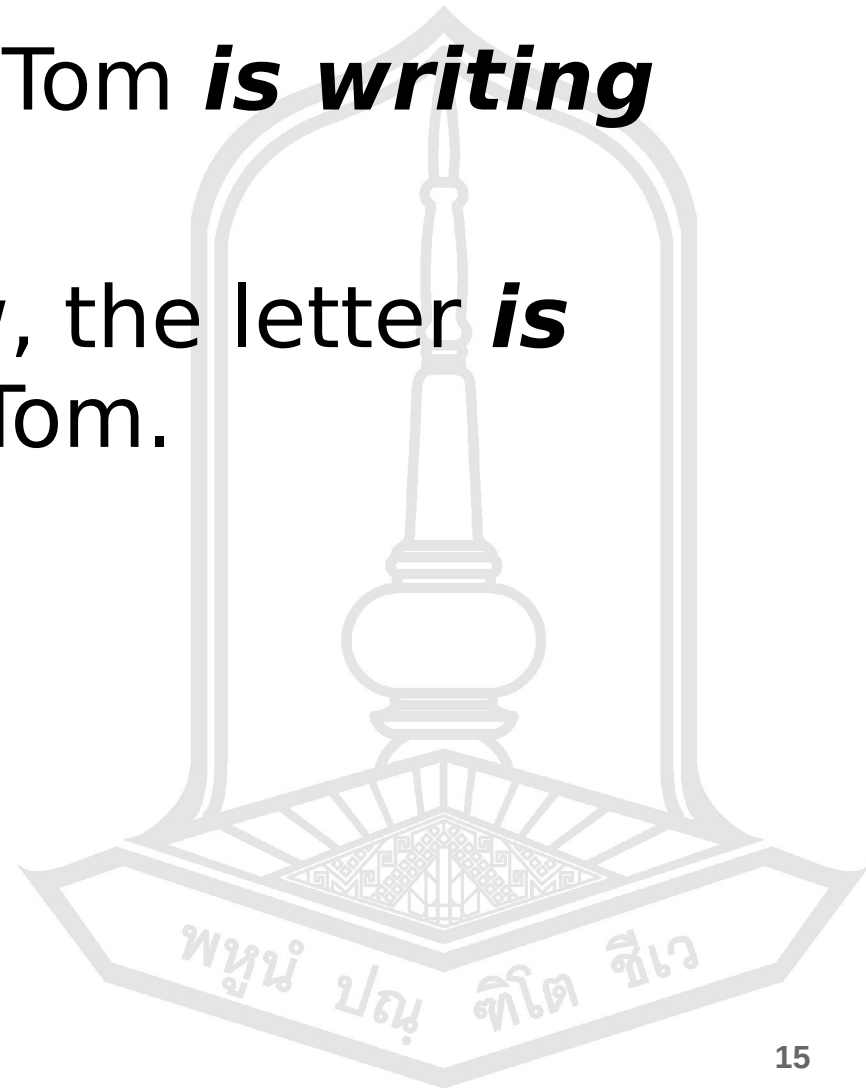
Examples

- She ***is always coming*** to class late.
- He ***is constantly talking***. I wish he would quiet.
- I don't like them because they ***are always complaining***.



Active / Passive

- **Active.** Right now, Tom ***is writing*** the letter.
- **Passive.** Right now, the letter ***is being written*** by Tom.

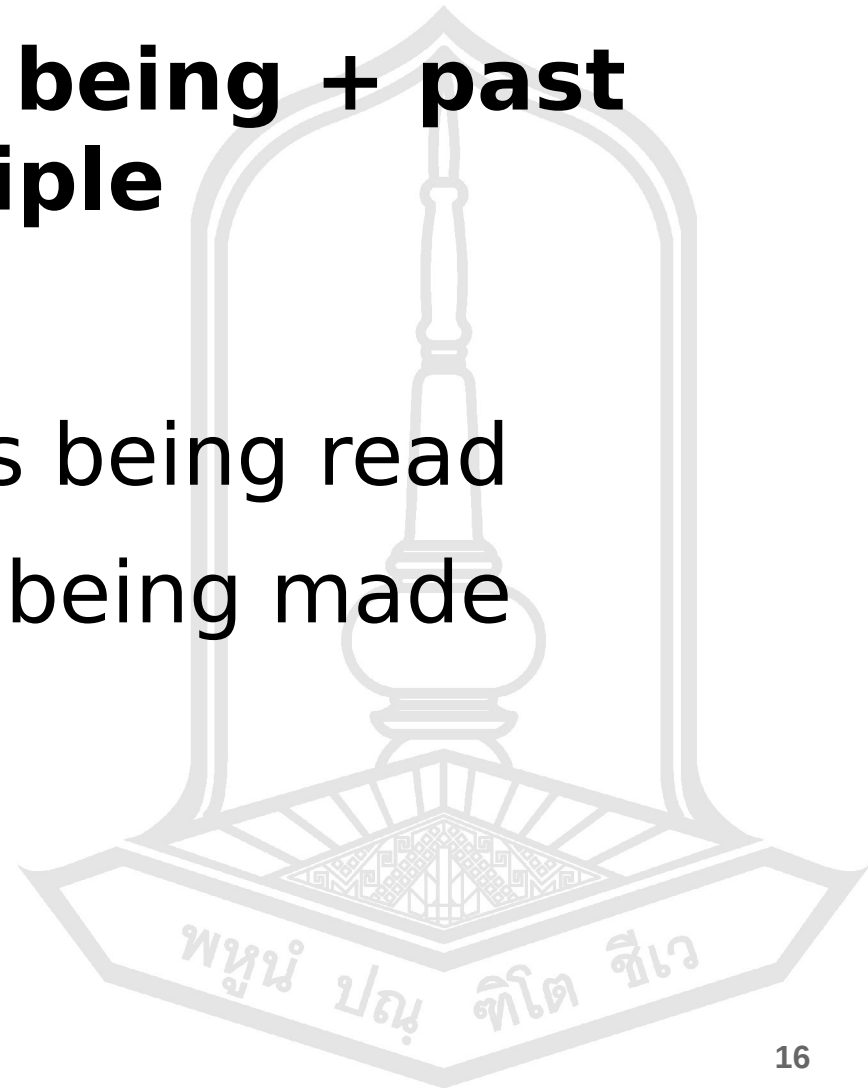


Passive Voice

S + is/am/are + being + past participle

Singular: The book is being read

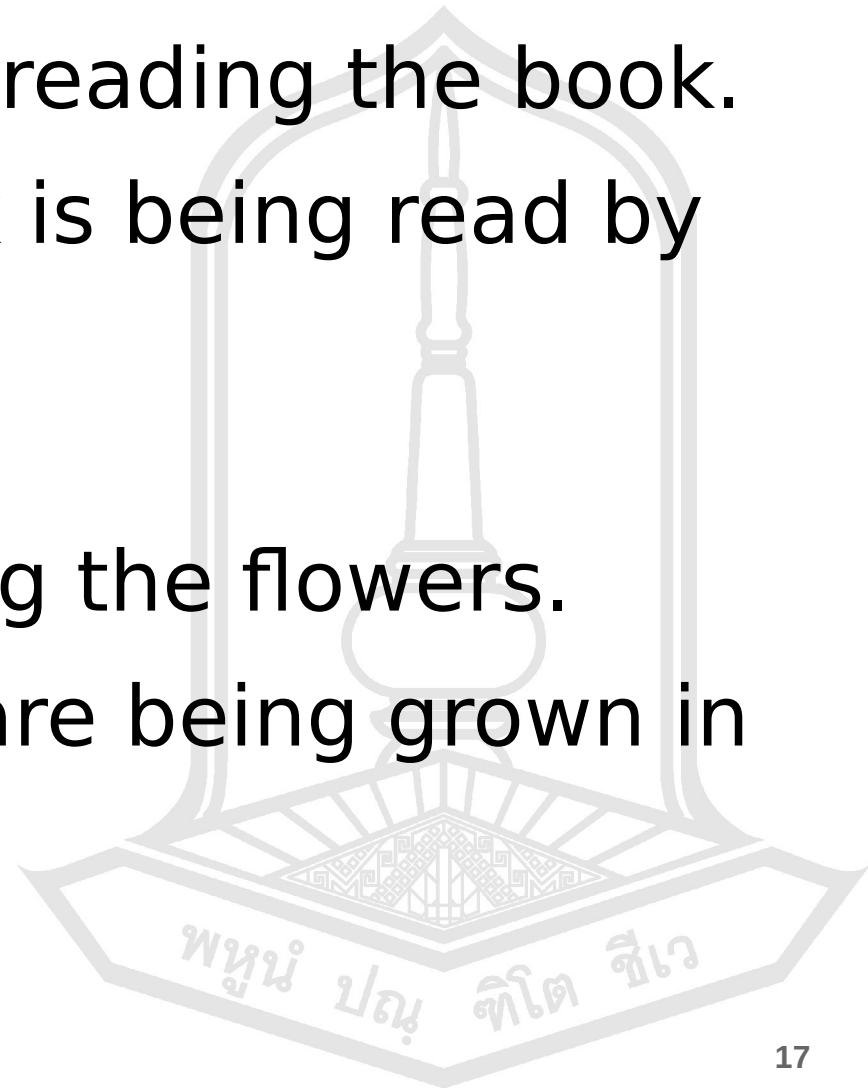
Plural: Pancakes are being made



Active / Passive

- **Active** - The boy is reading the book.
- **Passive** - The book is being read by the boy.

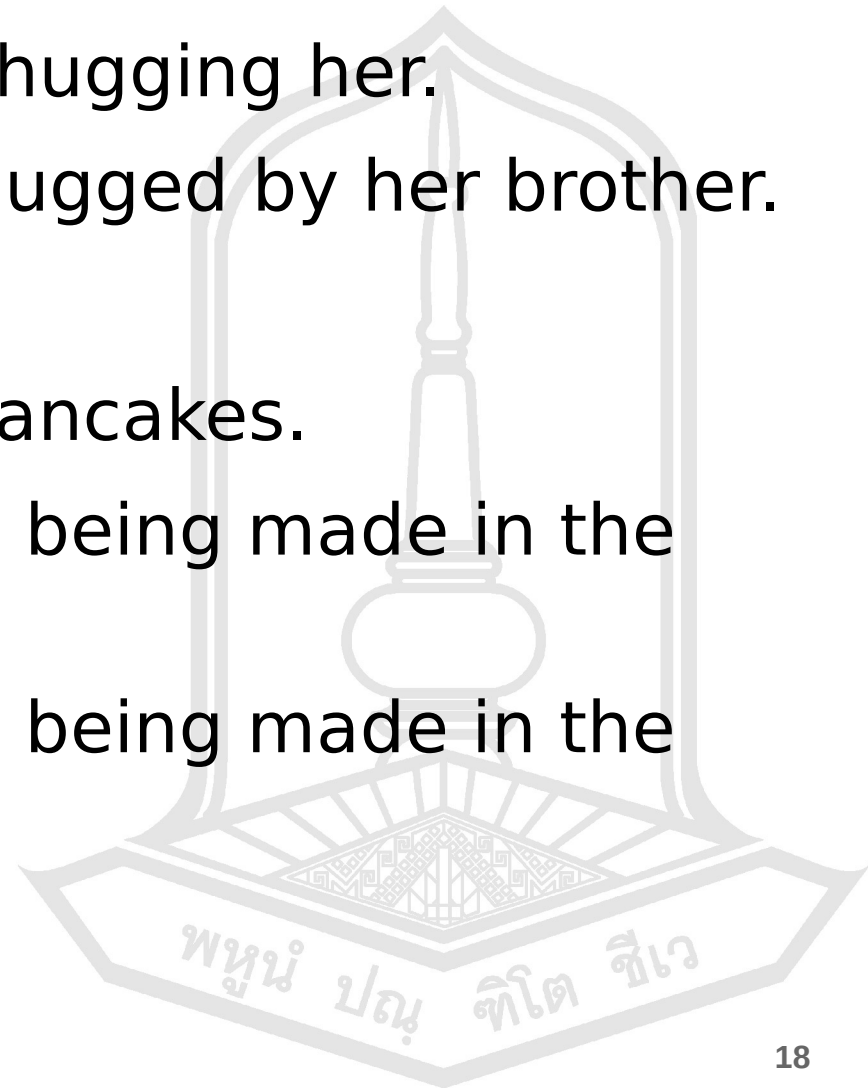
- **Active** - I'm growing the flowers.
- **Passive** - Flowers are being grown in this garden.



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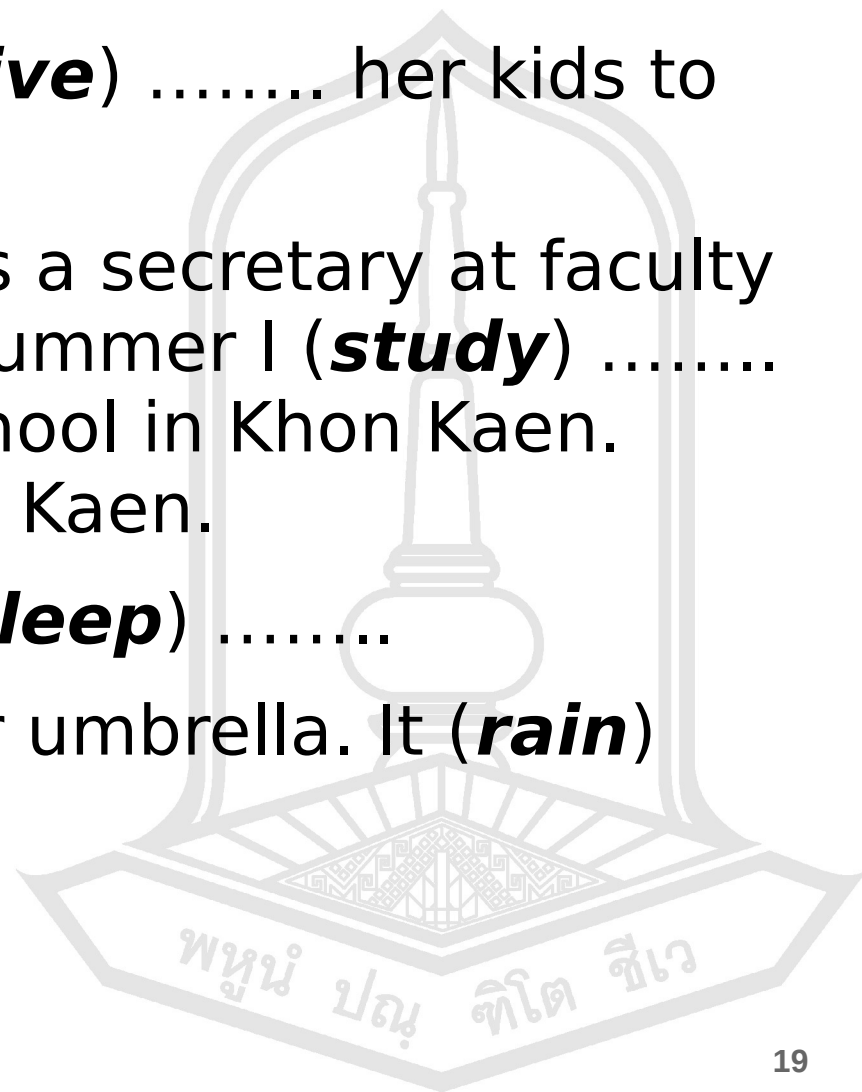
- **Active** - Her brother is hugging her.
- **Passive** - She's being hugged by her brother.

- **Active** - He's making pancakes.
- **Passive** - Pancakes are being made in the kitchen.
- **Passive** - Pancakes are being made in the kitchen by him.



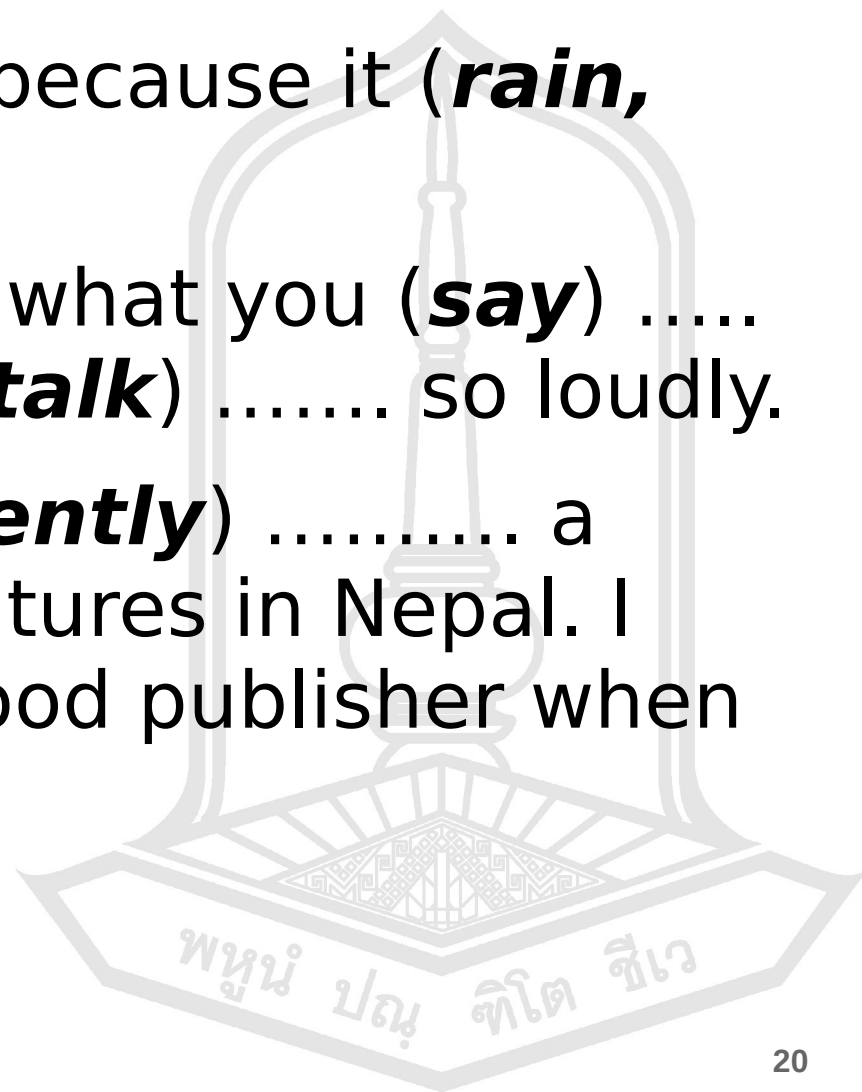
Exercise

- Every Monday, Sally (**drive**) her kids to football practice.
- Usually, I (**work**) as a secretary at faculty of informatics, but this summer I (**study**) French at a language school in Khon Kaen. That is why I am in Khon Kaen.
- Shhhh! Be quiet! John (**sleep**)
- Don't forget to take your umbrella. It (**rain**)



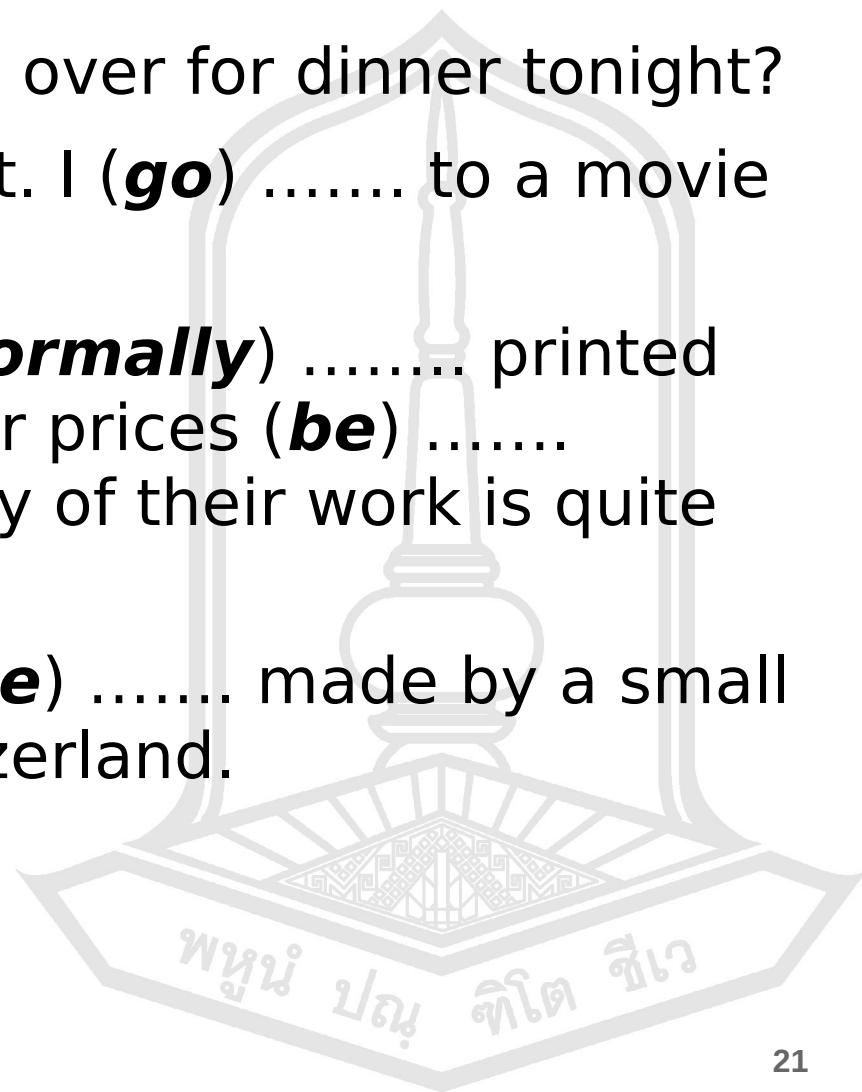
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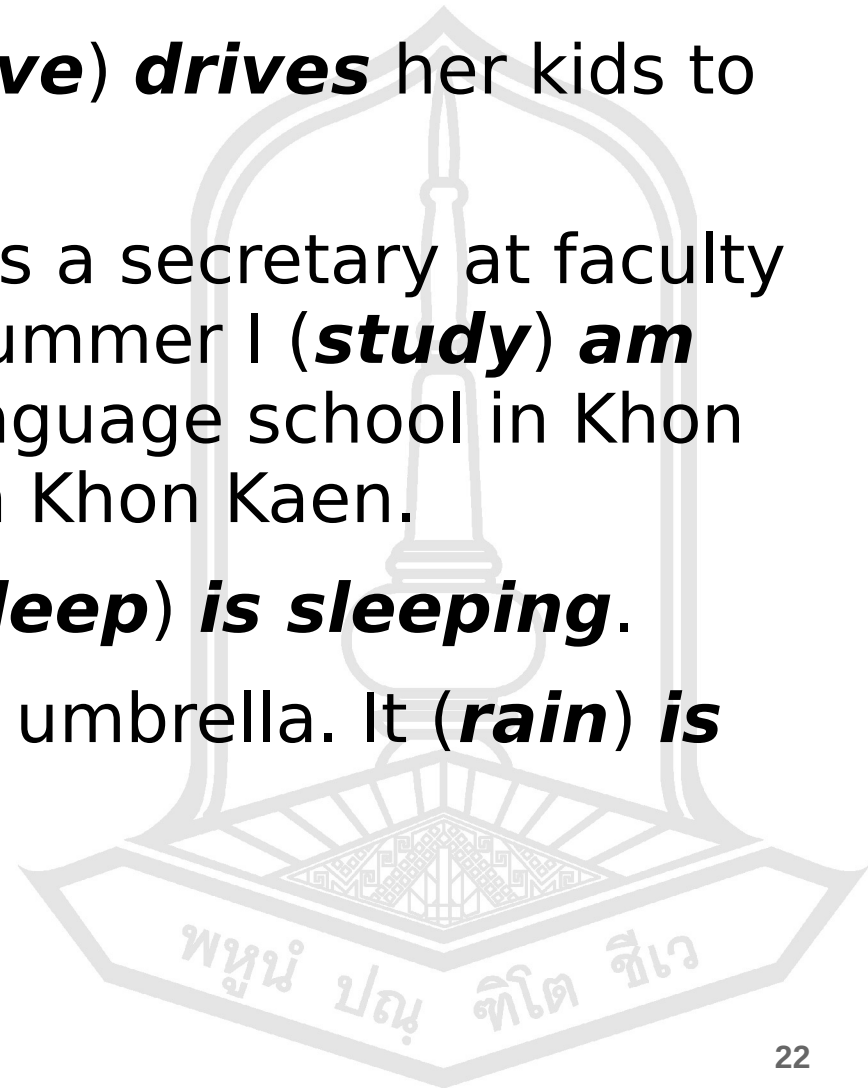
Exercise

- *Tom:* Do you want to come over for dinner tonight?
- *Davis:* Oh, I'm sorry, I can't. I (**go**) to a movie tonight with some friends.
- The business cards (**be, normally**) printed by a company in BKK. Their prices (**be**) inexpensive, yet the quality of their work is quite good.
- This delicious chocolate (**be**) made by a small chocolatier in Zurich, Switzerland.



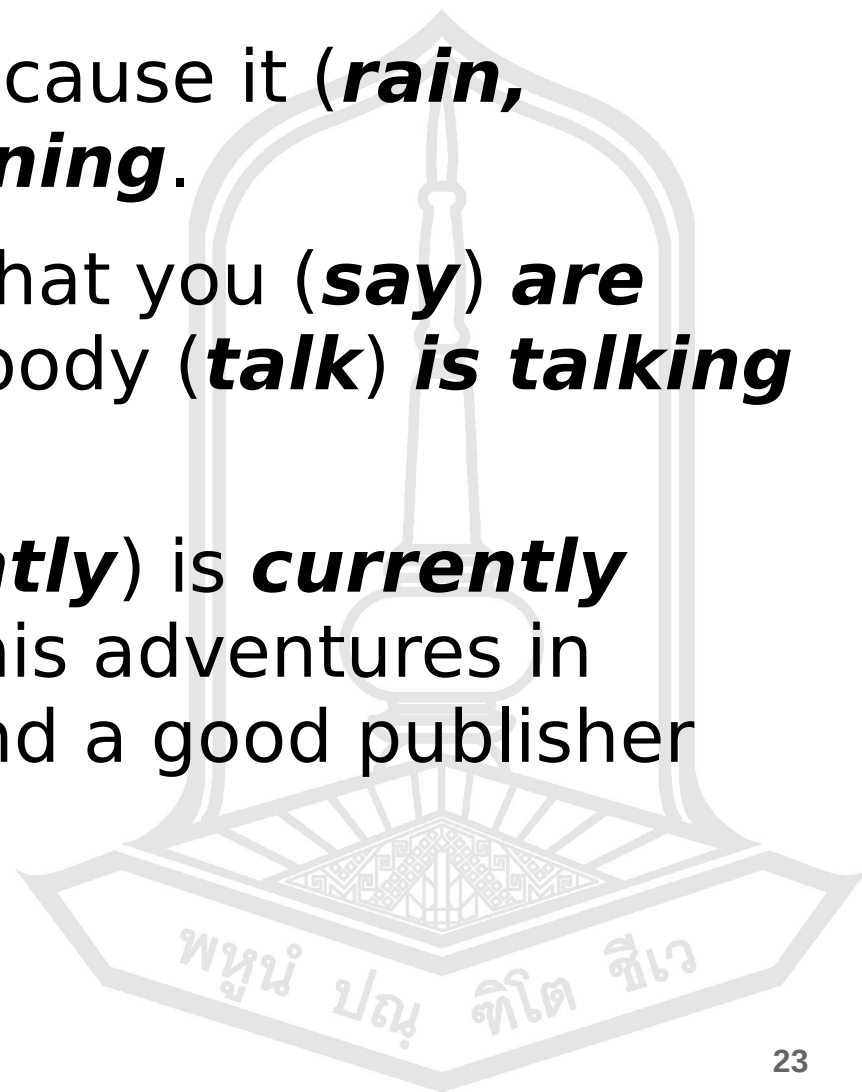
Exercise: Answer

- Every Monday, Sally (**drive**) **drives** her kids to football practice.
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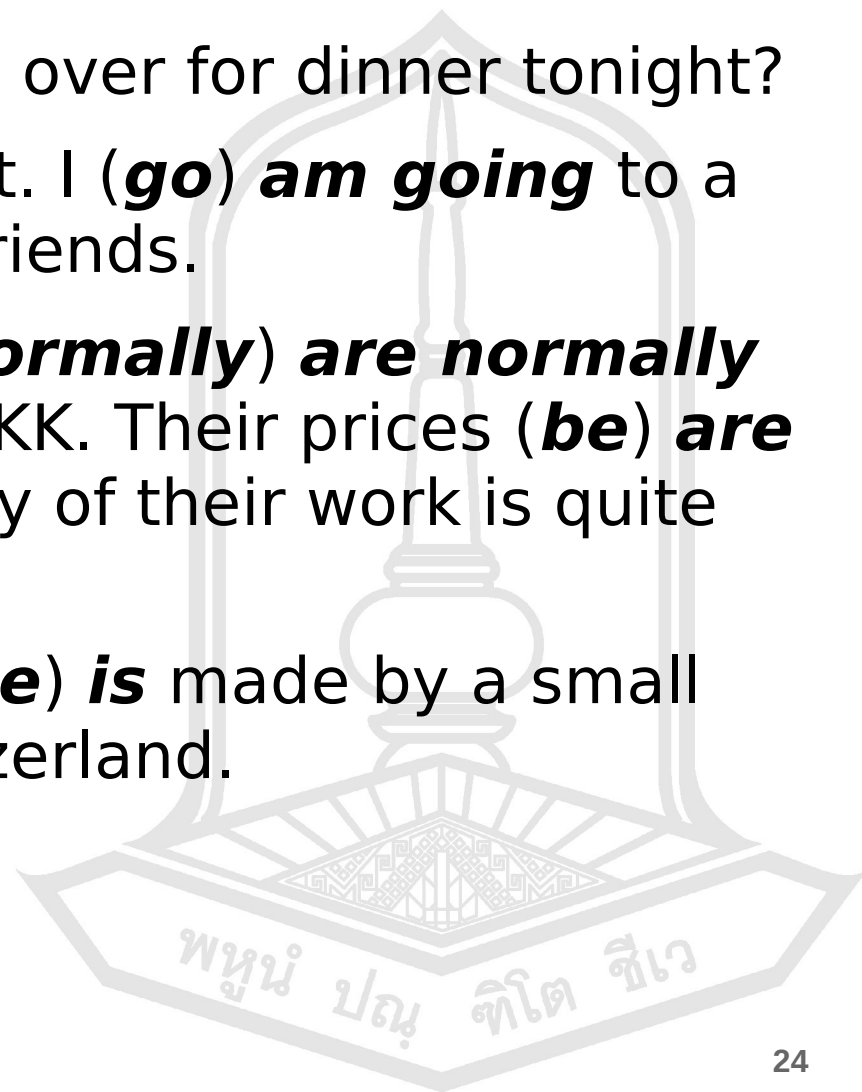
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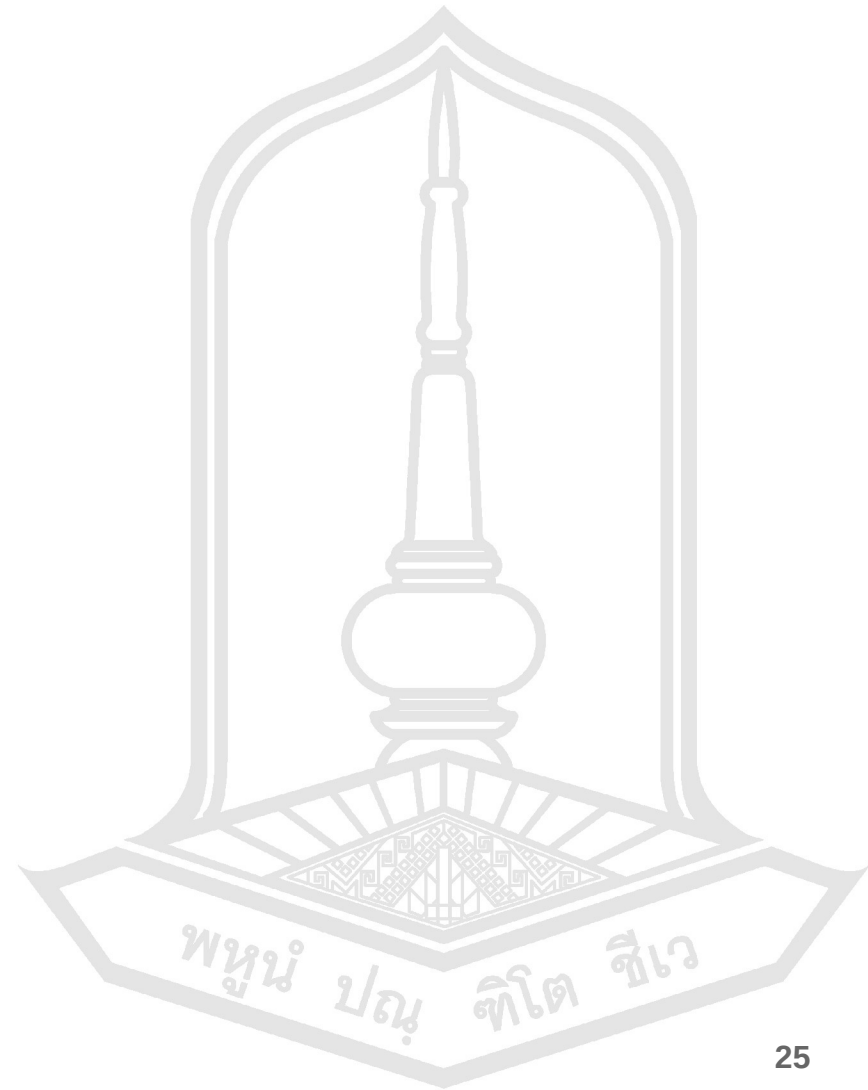
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