



**English for architects Present Simple and Continuous**

*Choose one of the actions below and act it out (without stopping) until your partner guesses what you are doing*

You are drawing

You are sketching/ doodling

You are looking closely at drawings

You are putting on a hard hat

You are using two monitors

You are unrolling a big piece of paper

You are rolling up a big piece of paper

You are using a ruler

You are using a compass

You are using an eraser

You are measuring something

You are staring out of the window

You are giving a PowerPoint presentation

You are giving someone a tour of the office or a building

You are using a magnifying glass

You are building a model from card or cardboard

You are building a model from foam/ polystyrene

You are looking at a model

You are surveying the area where a building will be

You are looking at samples of materials

You are flicking through a catalogue

You are using a calculator or numeric keypad



You are filing/ looking for a file

You are meeting clients (= customers)

You are tidying your desk

You are cleaning your desk

You are chatting with the person at the next desk

You are typing up a document

You are photocopying

You are using the telephone

You are setting up a tripod

You are taking photos

You are giving instructions to builders

You are using a laser pointer

You are signing documents

You are exchanging business cards

You are shredding documents

*Choose one of the actions above and talk about who does it, how often, when and why etc, until your partner guesses which one you are talking about.*

**Useful language**

I always/ almost always/ usually/ very often/ often/ sometimes/ rarely/ hardly ever/ almost never/ never do this

I do this once/ twice/ three times a day/ week/ month/ year

An architect/ architectural engineer/ project manager/ site manager does this

You need to use \_\_\_\_\_ to do this

This is old fashioned and people/ architects don't do this anymore