

Language Poster 2: Adding -ing

- Verbs are actions words.
- Verbs come in different forms that show “tense.”
- “Tense” gives us a reference in time: past or present.
- When we add –ing to a verb, it is present tense: it is happening now.

VERB	PRESENT
eat	eating
look	looking
sit	sitting
go	going
love	loving
dance	dancing
tie	tying

Spelling Rules

- If the verb ends in “e,” drop the “e” and add –ing.
- If the verb has a consonant-vowel-consonant pattern, double the last consonant and add –ing.
- If the verb ends in “ie,” change the vowels to “y” and add –ing.