1.	Cad atá tú **ag déanamh**?	What are you **doing**?
	An bhfuil tú **ag léamh**?	Are you **reading**?
	Tá. Tá mé **ag léamh**.	Yes. I am **reading**.
	Níl. Níl mé **ag léamh**.	No. I'm not **reading**.
2.	Cad a bhí tú **ag déanamh**?	What were you **doing**?
	An raibh tú **ag léamh**?	Were you **reading**?
	Bhí. Bhí mé **ag léamh**.	Yes. I was **reading**.
	Ní raibh. Ní raibh mé **ag léamh**.	No. I wasn't **reading**.
3.	Léigh mé litir aréir.	I read a letter last night.
	Bhí mé **ag léamh** litreach aréir.	I was **reading** a letter last night.
	Léigh mé an litir aréir.	I read the letter last night.
	Bhí mé **ag léamh** na litreach aréir.	I was **reading** the letter last night.
4.	Tá na páistí **ag imirt** cluiche.	The children are **playing** a game.
	Tá an cailín **ag briseadh** an phláta.	The girl is **breaking** the plate.
	Tá Seán **ag tógáil** briosca.	John's **taking** a cookie.
	Tá na páistí **ag déanamh** mionghháire.	The children are **smiling**.
	Tá an buachaill **ag scríobh** litreach.	The boy is **writing** a letter.
	Tá sé **ag caitheamh** na liathróide.	He's **throwing** the ball.
	An bhfuil sé **ag ól** líomanáide?	Is he **drinking** lemonade?
5.	Tá an fear **ag breathnú** ar an teilifís.	The man is **watching** the television.
	Tá sí **ag breith** ar an liathróid.	She's **catching** the ball.
	Tá Peadar **ag feitheamh** liom.	Peter's **waiting** for me.
	Tá mé **ag éisteacht** leis an raidió.	I'm **listening** to the radio.
	Tá sé **ag labhairt** leis an gcailín.	He's **talking** with the girl.
	Tá na páistí **ag gáire** faoin madra.	The children are **laughing** at the dog.
6.	Is maith liom **a bheith ag léamh**.	I like **to read**.
	Is breá liom **a bheith ag imirt** peile.	I love **to be playing** [Gaelic] football.
	Is fearr liom cispheil **a imirt**.	I prefer **to play** basketball.
	Ar mhaith leat dinnéar **a ithe**?	Would you like **to eat** dinner?
	Ba mhaith liom é **a ithe** anois díreach.	I'd like **to eat** it right now.
	Níor mhaith liom é **a ithe** go fóill.	I wouldn't like **to eat** it yet.
	B'fhearr liom brioscaí **a ithe**.	I'd rather **eat** cookies.
7.	Tá Tomás ina **chodladh**.	Tom's **sleeping**.
	Níl Máire ina **codladh** go fóill.	Mary's not **sleeping** yet.
	An bhfuil tú i do **chodladh**, a Mháire?	Are you **asleep**, Mary?
	Níl. Níl mé i mo **chodladh** go fóill.	No. I'm not **sleeping** yet.
	Tá mé i mo **luí**.	I'm **lying** down.
	Tá mé i mo **shuí**.	I'm **sitting** (or awake).
	Tá mé i mo **sheasamh**.	I'm **standing**.
	Tá mé i **bhfolach**.	I'm **hiding**.

<u>Comhrá 1</u>	**<u>Conversation 1</u>**
C: Dia duit, a Phádraigín.	Hi Patricia.
P: Dia is Muire duit, a Cháit.	Hi, Kate.
C: Conas tá tú?	How are you?
P: Tá tuirse orm.	I'm tired.
C: Cad a bhí tú **ag déanamh** inniu?	What were you **doing** today?
P: Bhí mé **ag damhsa**.	I was **dancing**.
<u>Comhrá 2</u>	**<u>Conversation 2</u>**
T: Cad a bhí tú **ag déanamh** aréir?	What were you **doing** last night?
S: Bhí mé **ag léamh** leabhair.	I was **reading** a book.
T: Cén leabhar a bhí tú **ag léamh**?	Which book were you **reading**?
S: Bhí mé **ag léamh** "An Béal Bocht".	I was **reading** "The Poor Mouth".
T: Bhí mé féin **ag scríobh** litreach aréir,	I myself was **writing** a letter last night,
ach léigh mé an leabhar sin anuraidh.	but I read that book last year.
<u>Comhrá 3</u>	**<u>Conversation 3</u>**
A: Cá bhfuil na páistí anois?	Where are the children now?
B: Bhí siad **ag imirt** peile sa pháirc.	They were **playing** football in the park.
A: An bhfuil siad **ag imirt** go fóill?	Are they still **playing**?
B: Níl. Tá siad **ag troid** anois.	No. They're **fighting** now.
A: Féach! Tá Seáinín bocht **ag caoineadh**.	Look! Poor Johnny's **crying**.
B: Agus tá na buachaillí eile **ag rith** abhaile.	And the other boys are **running** home.
<u>Comhrá 4</u>	**<u>Conversation 4</u>**
A: An maith leat **a bheith ag imirt** peile?	Do you like **to play** football?
B: Ní maith. Is fearr liom leadóg **a imirt**.	No. I prefer **to play** tennis.
A: Ar mhaith leat cluiche leadóige	Would you like **to play**
a imirt liomsa?	a game of tennis with me?
B: Ba mhaith. Go raibh maith agat.	Yes. Thanks.
A: Beidh mé **ag fanacht** leat anseo.	I'll be **waiting** for you here.
B: Ní bheidh tú **ag fanacht** i bhfad.	You won't be **waiting** long.

Comhrá 5 / Conversation 5

A:	An raibh tú **i do shuí** go luath?	Were you **awake** early?
B:	Ní raibh.	No.
	D'fhan mé **i mo chodladh** go déanach.	I stayed **asleep** until late.
A:	An raibh tú **ag rince** aréir?	Were you **dancing** last night?
B:	Ní raibh. Bhí mé **ag scríobh** litreach.	No. I was **writing** a letter.
A:	Bhí mé féin **ag breathnú** ar an teilifís.	I myself was **watching** television.
B:	B'fhearr liomsa litir **a scríobh**.	I'd rather **write** a letter.

Dán Poem

(le Síle Ní Rabhartaí)

An Oíche	**The Night**
Chonaic mé an oíche **ag teacht** anuas	I saw the night **coming** down
Mar chóta mór dubh ar an tuath	Like a large black coat on the countryside
Chuala mé na páistí **ag dul** a luí,	I heard the children **going** to sleep,
Le torann agus brón sa seomra istigh	With noise and sorrow in the room inside
D'fhág mé an madra **ag tafann** amuigh	I left the dog **barking** outside
Go brónach san oíche **ag caoineadh** sa ghaoth.	Sadly in the night, **crying** in the wind.

Dán Poem

(le Colm Mac Lochlainn)

Chuala mé an Ghaoth	**I Heard the Wind**
Chuala mé an ghaoth	I heard the wind
Ag bualadh na bhfuinneog,	**Beating** the windows,
Ag cnagadh ar na doirse,	**Knocking** on the doors,
Ag séideadh na nduilleog.	**Blowing** the leaves.
Chuala mé an ghaoth	I heard the wind
Ag luascadh an chrainn,	**Shaking** the tree,
Ag leagan na slinnte	**Knocking down** the shingles
Anuas ón díon.	Down from the roof.
Chuala mé an ghaoth,	I heard the wind,
An oíche go léir,	The whole night,
Ag séideadh na fearthainne	**Blowing** the rain
Tríd an aer.	Through the air.