## Verb Tense Review: Verbs not used in Progressive Form

Some verbs are not used in the progressive (-ing) form. They are called "STATE" verbs because they describe states or conditions, not actions. Many STATE verbs can be put in 4 groups:

<b>Emotion</b>	<b>Mental Activity</b>	<b>Perception</b>	<b>Possession</b>
love	think	see	have
like	believe	hear	own
hate	know	feel	belong
want	understand	smell	_
appreciate	remember	taste	
prefer	mean	seem	

Other Common State Verbs: be, need, weigh, cost, owe

Some **STATE** verbs can also be used to describe actions. In this case, the continuous form of the verb is usually used to distinguish the meaning from the **STATE** meaning.

I think hockey is an exciting sport. I am thinking about this problem now.

(opinion) (mental process)

This yogurt <u>tastes</u> delicious. He <u>is tasting</u> the yogurt to see if it is okay.

(perception) (action)

Decide if the following verbs describe an ACTION or a STATE. Fill in the blanks with the correct verb form.

1.	Barbara, your perfume	(smells) beautiful.
2.	Lana	(smell) the milk to see if it is okay.
3.	Please be quiet. I	(think) about this problem right now.
4.	Sherry	_(think) we should have a party next weekend.
5.	I (see) her	every morning on the bus.
6.	Please wait. The doctor	(see) a patient right now.
7.	Не	(remember) all the questions from the test.
8.	These days, Jack	(like) jazz music a lot.
9.	What's that? I	_(hear) a strange noise in the basement.