

Stative verbs. Grammar

1 Underline the correct item.

- 1 I see / am seeing that the situation is out of control.
- 2 The sausages are tasting / taste delicious.
- 3 Do you enjoy / Are you enjoying the party?
- 4 You haven't said a word all morning. What are you thinking / do you think about?
- 5 He has / is having a Siamese cat.
- 6 These flowers are smelling / smell nice.
- 7 I don't know / am not knowing where she keeps the keys.
- 8 These silk sheets feel / are feeling lovely and smooth.
- 9 Why do you smell / are you smelling the milk? Do you think it has gone off?
- 10 Anna is Italian. She is coming / comes from Italy.
- 11 That dress looks / is looking nice on you.
- 12 If you don't look / aren't looking at that comic book, I'd like to see it.
- 13 The doctor weighs / is weighing the baby.
- 14 Mary is / is being very naughty these days.

2

Put the verbs in brackets into the *present simple* or the *present continuous*.

- 1 A: I 'm thinking (think) about going to see *Green Day* in concert next month.
B: Great! I (think) they're the best. I'll come with you.
- 2 A: Why (you/weigh) yourself?
B: I want to see if I (weigh) enough for my height.
- 3 A: Your baby brother (be) adorable!
B: Yes, but today he (be) really naughty. He keeps drawing on the wall.
- 4 A: I see you (have) a new mobile phone.
B: Yes, but I (have) problems with it at the moment.
- 5 A: Why (you/taste) the soup? It's not ready yet.
B: To see if it (taste) sweet enough for the children.
- 6 A: Do you know where Mike (come) from?
B: He's from Glasgow. Actually, he's there at the moment but he (come) back tomorrow.
- 7 A: I (see) Charlotte has toothache.

3 Put the verbs in brackets into the *present simple* or the *present continuous*.

- 1 A: I see (see) you still have a toothache.
B: Yes, I do. Actually, I (see) my dentist later.
- 2 A: I (think) of visiting Jim this afternoon.
B: Don't bother. I (think) he's on a business trip.
- 3 A: Why (Greg/be) so rude today?
B: I have no idea. He (be) usually very polite.
- 4 A: Why (you/taste) the sauce? Does it need more pepper?
B: No. It (taste) great the way it is.
- 5 A: Why (you/smell) the milk?
B: Because it (smell) off. We should throw it away.
- 6 A: I see you (have) a new mobile phone.
B: Yes, but I (have) trouble understanding how it works.

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Use the verbs to complete the sentences. Use the *present simple* or the *present continuous*.

fit	look	have	smell	think
appear	prefer	not/know	not/like	not/belong

1 Aya *prefers* classical music
to jazz and pop.

2 He
new cabinets in the kitchen.

3 She
so relieved now that the test is over.

4 Tom
Indian food. It's too hot and spicy for him.

5 The new rock band
..... on stage tonight.

6 This isn't Ahmed's coat. It
..... to him.

7 The food nice.

8 The funfair rides are exciting. We
..... a great time!

9 I
where Jane is at the moment.

10 The Browns
..... of going to the theatre tonight.