

Present Simple or Present Continuous

1 What actions describe these verbs.

1. She often **takes** the bus to school. _____
2. He **lives** in Madrid. _____
3. He **'s talking** to his friends now. _____
4. She's from Brazil, but she **'s studying** in the UK. _____

REMEMBER

Some verbs don't normally have a continuous form: **like, love, prefer, wish, hate, want, need, believe, know, remember, understand, be, cost, belong, mean, seem.**

Some verbs can be state or dynamic, depending on the meaning.

2 What meaning do these verbs have?

1. I **think** he's right. _____
2. What **is** he **thinking** about? _____
3. I **see** her – she's round the corner. _____
4. I **'m seeing** Peter a lot these days. _____
5. I **have** a dog. _____
6. I **'m having** lunch. _____
7. The soup **tastes** lovely. _____
8. I **'m tasting** the soup. _____

3 Choose the correct option. Which verb can be used in the Present Simple or Present Continuous?

Hi, Sara

How are you? I 'm enjoying / enjoy my new school. There are lots of after-school clubs and I belong / 'm belonging to the Drama Club now. We 're meeting up / meet up every Friday. At the moment the club 's preparing / prepares for a show and they 're wanting / want me to be in it. I think / 'm thinking about it and I like / 'm liking the idea, but I feel / 'm feeling anxious about it. What do you think / are you thinking I should do?

Sam