Stative verbs generally fall into 4 groups:

Emotion: love, hate, want, need, like, dislike, prefer, mind, wish, hope

Possession: have, own, want, belong, posses, consist

Sense: see, hear, smell, seem, taste, touch, feel

Thought: know, believe, remember, understand, doubt, suspect, forget

Some verbs can be both state and action verbs
Some words can be state verbs and action verbs. The meaning of these verbs is then different. Take a look at these:

'I have a car.' – state verb showing possession

'I am having a bath.' – action verb which, in this case, means 'taking'.

'I think you are cool.' – state verb meaning 'in my opinion'.

'I am thinking about buying a motorbike.' – action verb meaning 'considering'.

Complete the sentences with present continuous or present simple

_____(be careful of the stative verbs)

- Look the bus _____(come)
- "Mmmm, this soup _____(taste) good"
- At the moment, I _____(take) my dog for a walk
- Adam is eating a hotdog but I _____(prefer) hamburgers
- Winter is coming, I _____(need) some warm clothes
- Today I am _____(go) to visit my grandparents
- " Please teacher I _____(think) I know the answer"
- It's a hot day and the children _____(swim) in the lake
- Anna is reading a book about ghosts but I _____(not believe) in them
- "Listen ,I _____(hear) your mum calling you"

Choose the correct word to complete;

Yes, I know/am knowing the answer!

Why is she cries/crying?

She always is getting/gets up late on Sundays

I am liking/like this film

I want/am wanting a new bike

Today, mum washes/is washing my clothes

"Look, I am seeing/see my friends"

Yuk! I hate/am hating vegetables

I haven't seen the doctor for a long time but she is remembering/remembers my name.

At the moment the children play/are playing in the garden

Have, need, understand, think, believe, walk, write,

Complete the sentences using one of the verbs from the box above

Now I _____ to my friend's house.

I _____brown eyes and short hair.

Sara is at the shops as she _____ New shoes.

At the moment I _____ an email to my cousin.

The lesson is difficult but I_____ it.

David _____ in magic.

I _____English is fun