

Stative verbs

A. Circle the correct form of the verbs in the sentences below.

- I **don't remember / am not remembering** the meaning of this word. Can you repeat it, please?
- Nathalie doesn't want to eat spaghetti and meatballs tonight; she **prefers / is preferring** pizza.
- My mum and grandma are sitting in the living room. They **have / are having** their afternoon coffee.
- I'd like to get a ticket for the band's concert on Saturday. How much **does it cost / is it costing**?
- Your sister's new perfume **smells / is smelling** wonderful; it must be very expensive, though!
- My family and I **think / are thinking** of going to New York for Christmas this year – I'm so excited!

B. Some of the sentences below contain a mistake. Write *yes* if they are correct and *no* if they are incorrect.

- This console **is belonging to** my brother. My sister and I can't play with it unless we ask him first.
- Elephants are huge animals. In fact, the largest male elephants **weigh** up to 6.800 kilograms.
- Your idea to throw Emily a surprise party **is sounding** great! Let's start planning it right away!
- Those boxes of toys look rather heavy. **Are you needing** any help carrying them upstairs?
- Tom **understands** mathematics. He's very good at solving problems and always gets 100% in tests.
- The school basketball team lost the match. All the players **are looking** sad and disappointed.

C. Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets. Use the Present Simple or the Present Continuous.

- Breakfast is Joe's favourite meal. He usually _____ (have) toast and a glass of fresh orange juice.

- Penny _____ (not / want) to play a board game right now.
She'd rather watch a film on TV.
- We _____ (taste) grandma's chicken pie – it's delicious. She
is the best cook in the world!
- I _____ (not / know) what to get my bother for his birthday.
Can you help me find something?
- Marianne _____ (not / own) a car, so she always takes the
bus to go to work in the morning.
- I sometimes _____ (imagine) living in a big house by the
beach – I'd be able to swim every day!