## STATIVE VERBS (STATE VERBS)

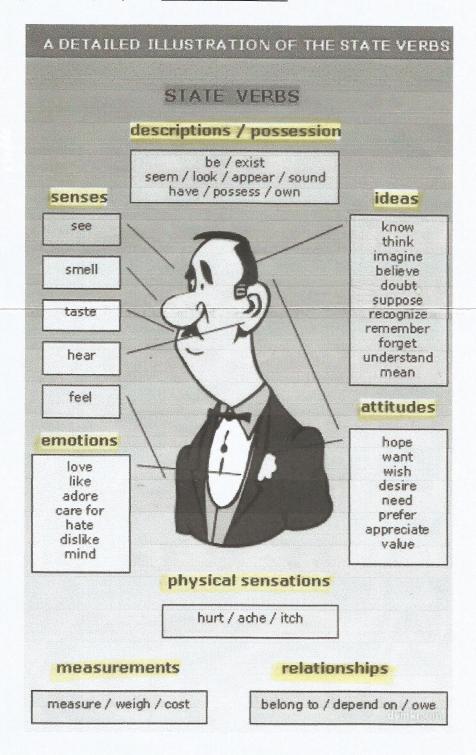
Some verbs are <u>never</u> or <u>hardly ever</u> used in progressive forms:

- I like this music (NOT: \*I'm liking this music.
- I phoned her because I **needed** to talk. (NOT: \* ... because I **was needing** ...)

  Many of these non-progressive verbs refer to **states** (=estado) rather than <u>actions</u> (= acciones).

Some refer to mental states (e.g. know, think, believe); some others refer to the use of the senses (e.g. smell, taste).

- Modal verbs (can, must, etc.) have no progressive forms.



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