

05 Types of verbs

You can use most verbs in the continuous form to describe ongoing actions. Some verbs cannot be used in this way. These are called "state" verbs.

 **New language** Action and state verbs

 **Aa Vocabulary** Activities

 **New skill** Using state verbs

5.1 KEY LANGUAGE ACTION AND STATE VERBS

Action verbs usually describe what people or things do. State verbs usually say how things are or how someone feels.

ACTION VERB

I  **read**
am reading a book.



Action verbs can be used in simple forms and continuous forms.

STATE VERB

I **love** books.



State verbs are not usually used in the continuous form.



5.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES ACTION AND STATE VERBS

Dominic is eating ice cream.



Gayle is lying on the couch.



I want to go on vacation.



She has two cats and a dog.



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5.3 FIND EIGHT VERBS IN THE GRID AND WRITE THEM UNDER THE CORRECT HEADING

L	O	V	E	B	I	R	A	C	S	A	H
T	P	Q	A	Y	H	E	N	V	T	Q	A
R	E	M	E	M	B	E	R	D	H	M	T
W	A	N	T	L	E	R	E	A	D	T	E
L	T	B	C	O	W	D	K	S	V	X	C
E	E	D	E	V	T	W	E	E	A	I	
L	E	A	R	N	L	A	O	E	R	G	O

ACTION VERBS:

1 _____

1 _____

2 _____

2 _____

3 _____

3 _____

4 _____

4 _____

STATE VERBS:

5.4 COMMON MISTAKES STATE VERBS

It is incorrect to use state verbs in the continuous form.



I want a new laptop. 

→ You can usually only use state verbs in the simple form.

I am wanting a new laptop. 

→ You can't usually use state verbs in the continuous form.



5.5 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, CORRECTING THE ERRORS

He **is liking** the book.

He likes the book.

1 I **am having** a big house by the ocean.

2 My sister **is hating** this new TV show.

3 Thomas **is knowing** your dad.

4 Finn **is wanting** a new bike.

5 I **am seeing** the cat and dog.



5.6 CROSS OUT THE INCORRECT WORDS IN THE SENTENCES



I want / **am wanting** some chocolate.



She goes / **is going** to the store now.



Fred doesn't like / **isn't liking** pizza.



I always sing / **am singing** in the bath.



He reads / **is reading** a book at the moment.



Jo remembers / **'s remembering** my birthday.



Li plays / **is playing** tennis at the moment.



We don't want / **are not wanting** to leave.



05 CHECKLIST

 Action and state verbs

Aa Activities

 Using state verbs