Grammar 4

1) Study the rule. Match the name of the category with the examples.

Non-continuous verbs

There are certain verbs that cannot be used in the present continuous tense. The following verbs are non-continuous:

- 1) agree, promise, surprise, etc.
- a) Senses
- 2) like, love, hate, admire etc.
- b) Thinking
- 3) hear, see, smell, taste, etc.
- c) Communication
- 4) believe, know, understand, think etc.
- d) Feelings

and also the verbs:

belong, have, own, possess, need, be

BUT in some cases we can use several verbs in Present Continuous: •

• think (в значении «обдумывать):

I **think** you are busy now.

BUT: I'm thinking about tomorrow's event.

• admire (в значении «любоваться»):

I admire his bravery.

BUT: They all're admiring her new haircut.

• see (в значении «встречаться»):

I see this house.

BUT: I'm seeing her tomorrow.

hear (в значении «получать известие»):

I hear the teacher.

BUT: I'm hearing from her now.

smell (в значении «нюхать»):

The flower **smells** wonderful.

BUT: She's smelling the flower.

• taste (в значении «пробовать»):

The soup tastes great!

BUT: He's tasting the soup.

• **have** (в составе фразеологизмов):

He **has** a new car.

BUT: I'm having a lunch with my family (to have a lunch).

be (в значении «вести себя»): She **is** not selfish, but she **is being** selfish.

