

# non-progressive verbs *I remember his face.*

Some verbs are most often used in **simple** tenses, not progressive, even if we mean 'just now'.  
*I know what you mean.* (NOT ~~I'm knowing what you're meaning.~~)  
*You seem worried.* (NOT ~~You're seeming...~~)

**SOME COMMON NON-PROGRESSIVE VERBS**  
believe, forget, hate, know, like, love, mean, need, prefer, remember, seem, understand, want  
*Do you believe what he's saying?*     *I remember her face, but I forget her name.*  
*What does this word mean?*     *I like this weather.*  
*What does she want?*

1 Use non-progressive verbs to complete the sentences. More than one answer may be possible.

- I ..... you're right.
- ..... you ..... this music?
- She says she ..... to see Fred.
- I ..... a drink of water.
- I ..... you don't ..... me.
- I ..... how old she is.
- She ..... me and I ..... her.
- 'Beer?' 'I ..... orange juice.'
- I ..... his face, but not his name.
- What ..... 'explicate' ..... ?
- You ..... unhappy today.
- I don't ..... why she ..... to go home.
- ..... you ..... who that woman is?
- I don't ..... where I parked the car.
- We ..... more bread.



'On the Internet, nobody knows you're a dog.'

**OTHER COMMON NON-PROGRESSIVE VERBS**  
agree, belong, contain, depend, matter, mind, own, realise, recognise, suppose  
*'This is a terrible film.' 'I don't agree.'*     *'Sorry I'm late.' 'It doesn't matter.'*  
*I recognise her, but I don't remember her name.*  
*'Can I borrow the car?' 'It depends. Until when?'*  
*'There's no more orange juice.' 'I don't mind. I'll have water.'*

2 Choose the best verb to complete each sentence.

- His wife always agrees ..... with everything he says. (*agree, realise, recognise*)
- This book ..... to me. (*own, belong, contain*)
- I ..... you're right. (*suppose, depend, mind*)
- His father ..... a chain of hotels. (*contain, belong, own*)
- Money doesn't ..... to me. (*depend, mind, matter*)
- That bottle ..... petrol. (*contain, own, belong*)
- 'Can you lend me some money?' 'It ..... ' (*matter, depend, mind*)
- I ..... that I've made a mistake. (*matter, realise, depend*)
- Do you ..... if I open a window? (*matter, suppose, mind*)
- I ..... it's time to go home. (*suppose, own, mind*)
- 'He's a great president.' 'I don't ..... ' (*matter, recognise, agree*)

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