Third Year

Lecture Four

Grammar Spot: Some verbs are almost never used in the continuous tense. Instead, they are used in the present simple tense. These verbs are called ***state verbs***.

بعض الأفعال لا تستعمل في زمن الضارع المستمر وإنما تستعمل في زمن المضارع البسيط. تسمى هذه الأفعال بأفعال الحالة.

These verbs are: ***like, dislike, hate, think, know, understand, feel, hear, see, smell, taste, enjoy, love, want*** and ***have***(=possession).

Examples:

1. I like black coffee.
2. Nada dislikes cats.
3. People hate diseases
4. You think the exam is easy.
5. The students know all the answers.
6. We understand the teacher's explanation.
7. I don't feel well today.
8. Man does not hear far away voices.
9. She sees through walls.
10. The rose smells nice.
11. The food tastes great.
12. Children enjoy playing with toys.
13. Parents love their children.
14. The customer wants a new dress.
15. I have a large flat.