GRAMMAR: Stative Verbs Exercise (1)

Circle the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

(a) Right now they (think, are thinking) about buying a new car.
(b) Pete (has been knowing, has known) Jane for many years.
(c) She told me that she (had always loved, had always been loving) the theatre.
(d) It (is depending, depends) on what the weather (is being, is) like on the weekend.
(e) Pierre (has owned, has been owning) that car for over ten years.
(f) Mary (saw, was seeing) Freddie for the first time in a club in Greenwich Village.
(g) Gerry (was tasting, tasted) the wine when suddenly the fire alarm went off in the restaurant. He spilled wine all over his shirt.
(h) The roses (smelled, were smelling) lovely in your garden last summer.
(i) Shirley (is having, has) a difficult time right now.
(j) It (looks, is looking) as if it might rain.
(k) I (am thinking, think) that I should look for a new job.
(l) The thief looked into his rear-view mirror and (was realizing, realized) that he (was being, was) followed by a police car.
(m) Tim (is loving, loves) donuts, but he still (weighs, is weighing) less than a hundred pounds.
(n) Susan (has wanted, has been wanting) to marry Harry ever since she (saw, was seeing) him.
(o) I (look, am looking) for my grammar book. Do you know where it is?
(p) I am not sure what the word “serendipity” (is meaning, means).
(q) The Director (is feeling, feels) that the policy is wrong.
(r) He (seemed, was seeming) nervous when I asked him that question.
(s) Céline Dion (appears, is appearing) in a movie this fall.
(t) I (am believing, believe) that she (was just being, was just) silly when she said that. She didn’t mean it.
(u) They (had had, had been having) that house for thirty years when they sold it.
(v) Lionel (was being, was) crazy as a teenager.
GRAMMAR: Stative Verbs Exercise (2)

Circle the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

(a) Ron and Mary (see, are seeing) each other now. They have been dating for two weeks.
(b) Pete (has been belonging, has belonged) to the club for ten years.
(c) I (am liking, like) pizza more than any other type of fast food.
(d) My dad (has weighed, has been weighing) 165 lbs. since he was seventeen.
(e) Brad Pitt (is appearing, appears) in a new movie right now.
(f) The German word "Hund" (means, is meaning) "dog" in English.
(g) I (was hopeful, was being hopeful) at the beginning of the season, but now I (am not thinking, don’t think) that the Toronto Maple Leafs will win the Stanley Cup.
(h) She started reading the Bible a few weeks ago, and now she says that she (believes, is believing) in God.
(i) Right now the teacher (is thinking, thinks) about the course material for the next class.
(j) While Frank (was, was being) in Florida, he met his ex-wife.
(k) We (were having, had) lunch on the picnic table in the backyard when the rain started.
(l) I (have always disliked, have always been disliking) westerns and action movies.
(m) Bob (has been wanting, has wanted) a new car for a long time.
(n) The earth (has existed, has been existing) for billions of years.
(o) I (am needing, need) another vacation.
(p) Descartes (was even doubting, even doubted) the fundamental truths of mathematics before he discovered the metaphysical truth that he expressed by saying, "I think, therefore I (am being, am)."
(q) I (know, am knowing) the man to whom you are referring.
(r) This fabric (is feeling, feels) very smooth and soft.
(s) Right now he (feels, is feeling) that way, but he will change his mind soon.
(t) I (don’t see, am not seeing) what you mean.
(u) How much (does he weigh, is he weighing)? About 85 kilos?