WHICH DOES NOT BELONG

The words in each car below are supposed to be alike in some way. Which word does not belong in each car? How do you know?

1. CAR STAR VASE FAR

2. DOG HEN FOG HOG

3. BAKE MAKE CAKE TIRE

PEAR APPLE CAKE GRAPE

BONUS ?

HINT:
This one is a bit different from the previous three.