

VERBS

What Is a Verb?

A **verb** is the part of speech that expresses **action** or **state of being**.

Examples:

- There are **two** types of verbs: **action verbs** (ran, jumped) and **linking verbs** (is, was). A linking verb is also called a **verb of being**.
- A **transitive** verb has an object, while an **intransitive** verb does not have an object.
- A **verb phrase** is made up of a verb and one or more helping verbs.
- **Two verbs** joined by a conjunction are called a **compound verb**.
- Choosing **when** the action of the sentence takes place will determine the **tense** of the verb. Choose the **present tense** of the verb if the action in the sentence is happening now. Choose the **past tense** if the action is completed. Choose the **future tense** if the action will happen later. The **past participle** of a verb is used to form the **past perfect tense** and is formed with -
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- **ed**



PREVIEW

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Try This

- 1] Choose the correct verb form.
When he was 10 years old, he
a) was
b) years
c) won
d) race

- 2] This sentence contains a **helping verb**.
My teammates have improved their kicking skills.
a) true
b) false

- 3] What is the **past participle** of this irregular verb: sing?
a) sang
b) will sing
c) has sung
d) sing