

Identifying Verbs in Sentences

1. Underline the action verbs in the sentences below.

A. I like to whistle while I work.

B. My friends always bump fists when they greet each other.

C. At the party, we drank punch from a bowl and ate lots of cake.

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4. Zoya thinks she has underlined all the verbs in the following sentence.

The prime minister is elected to office when his party has a majority vote.

Is she correct?
Explain your answer.

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2. Tick the sentences where 'are' has been used as a linking verb.

A. We are cold so we've wrapped ourselves in a great, fluffy blanket.

B. They are moving into a larger house with a huge garden next week.

C. Yesterday, we were told we're going on holiday so we are very lucky.

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5. Write two sentences that each include the following features:

- an action verb
- a linking verb
- an auxiliary verb

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3. Label the verb types in the sentence below using A for action, L for linking and Au for auxiliary.

In the morning, we are going
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to France to visit our Grandma,
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who is kind and wise.
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6. Look at the verbs in the sentences below.

A. After the snowstorm, the roads were slippery.

B. After the snowstorm, the cars were sliding on the road.

What is the same? What is different?

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4. Zoya is incorrect because in the sentence 'vote' is used as a noun, not a verb. She has also forgotten to underline 'is' which is an auxiliary verb.
5. Various answers, for example: Gia was joyful because she had become a big sister; She is upset as tears are streaming down her cheeks.
6. The sentences give similar information about the snowstorm and the slippery roads. They are different because sentence A uses the word 'were' as a linking verb, whereas sentence B uses the word 'were' as an auxiliary verb paired with the action verb 'sliding'.