

Verbs

Introduction

A verb is a word that shows an action, a state of being, or possession. It is also called an action word.

Definition

- A verb tells what a person, thing, or animal does.
- A verb can also tell what something is or what it has.

Examples

Action Verbs

Words that express physical or mental actions.

- The birds fly in the sky.
- Kajol draws a picture.
- Neeraj catches a ball.
- Rupali sings sweetly.

Being Verbs

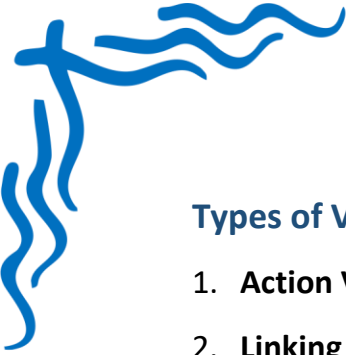
Words that express a state of being or existence.

- I am a girl.
- The tea is hot.
- The mangoes are ripe.

Possession Verbs

Words that show ownership or possession.

- My uncle has a car.
- The monkeys have long tails.
- We had a big house last year.



Types of Verbs

1. **Action Verbs:** Show action (e.g., run, jump, eat, fly)
2. **Linking Verbs:** Connect the subject to more information (e.g., is, am, are, was, were)
3. **Helping (Auxiliary) Verbs:** Help the main verb (e.g., is eating, are playing, will be leaving)

Important Points

- A verb can be made up of one word (e.g., sings) or more than one word (e.g., is eating, will be leaving).
- A verb tells what a subject does, is, or has.

Identifying Verbs in Sentences

Examples:

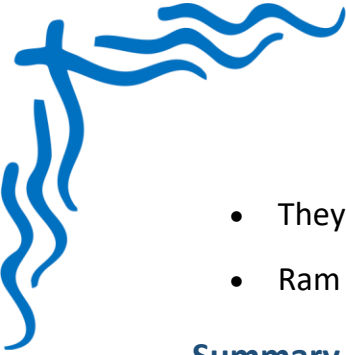
- ❖ Lions roar.
- ❖ A cat mews.
- ❖ A doctor treats patients.
- ❖ Laxmi dances beautifully.
- ❖ The tailor stitches our clothes.

With Helping Verbs:

- You are eating your breakfast.
- I am washing my face.
- Sara is sleeping.
- Seema was playing badminton.
- Mother was cooking food.

Verbs of Possession or Being:

- We have a big house.
- He has a watch.
- She had a fever yesterday.



- They are hungry.
- Ram is gentle.

Summary

- Verbs are essential parts of speech used to express actions, states of being, or possession.
- They can be simple or made up of several words.
- Learning verbs strengthens sentence construction and overall communication skills.