

Recognizing Verbs in Sentences

➔ Look at the underlined word in each sentence.
Circle **yes** if it is a verb. Circle **no** if it is not a verb.

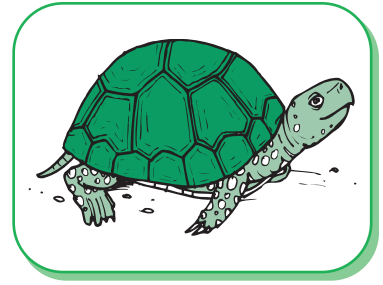


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| 1. Lily only reads <u>mysteries</u> . | yes | no |
| 2. My tooth <u>hurts</u> a lot. | yes | no |
| 3. I wash the <u>dishes</u> after dinner. | yes | no |
| 4. His dad drives <u>us</u> to practice. | yes | no |
| 5. Zephan <u>delivers</u> the Sunday paper. | yes | no |
| 6. The neighbors shovel <u>snow</u> from their driveways. | yes | no |
| 7. I talk to my best friend <u>every</u> day. | yes | no |
| 8. My grandmother <u>drinks</u> coffee at breakfast. | yes | no |
| 9. The choir <u>sings</u> beautifully. | yes | no |
| 10. The rock sinks to the <u>bottom</u> of the pond. | yes | no |
| 11. Robyn <u>sprinkles</u> sugar on her cereal. | yes | no |
| 12. The bell <u>rings</u> at the end of recess. | yes | no |

Present Verb Endings ③

Some verbs need a spelling change to make them singular. If a verb ends with a **consonant + -y**, change the **y** to **i** and add **-es**.

verb	plural subject	singular subject
bury	Turtles bury their eggs.	A turtle buries its eggs.



➔ Use the correct present tense verb form to finish each sentence. Make sure you use a singular verb for a singular subject and a plural verb for a plural subject.

1. fly Those birds _____ south every winter.
2. hurry The girls _____ to catch the bus.
3. cry Baby Eli _____ when he is hungry.
4. study Karen _____ for the test in her room.
5. worry My father _____ if I don't get home on time.
6. rely My mom _____ on me to take out the trash.
7. apply Jessica _____ sunscreen before she swims.
8. carry Uncle Daniel _____ his tools on his tool belt.
9. scurry Ants _____ back to their anthill.
10. reply Matt _____ to all of his grandpa's e-mails.
11. fry Leslie _____ the tortillas in hot oil.
12. marry The judge sometimes _____ couples at the courthouse.

Verbs With Direct Objects

An action verb does something to a **direct object**. To find the direct object of a sentence, use the verb in this question: **(verb) what?** Here is an example.

Stacy rode her bike to school. The verb is **rode**. Rode **what?** rode (her) **bike**

➔ Circle the direct object in each sentence.

1. Kyle bought apples at the store.
2. My Dad cooked hot dogs on the grill.
3. Katie gave me a shirt for my birthday.
4. I broke my purse during the trip.
5. Todd scored the winning goal.
6. My brother answered the phone.
7. Ms. Newton makes the best cupcakes in town.
8. My family eats pizza on Friday nights.
9. We ride the bus to school.
10. My cousins only drink soy milk.
11. The nurse weighed me at my checkup.
12. I did my chores for today.

