

Recalling verbs

Verb is a doing word. It shows a state.

Verb forms predicate of a sentence. There can be no sentence without a verb. Verbs indicate the time of doing or being by tenses. There are three tenses of a verb, i.e- present, past and future. All sentences must have a verb and a subject.

Practice Exercise

A. Underline the subject and verb in these sentences . Write 'S' under the subject and 'V' under the verb.

a. The birds are building their nests.

b. Raj buys sweets every day.

c. Ravi loves ice-cream.

d. Mother gives us milk for breakfast.

e. A dog is digging a hole.

B. Fill in each blank with a suitable auxiliary verb from the bracket.

a. He and I _____ working. (is, are)

b. _____ you know him? (do, does)

c. When the boat overturned we _____ able to swim to the bank. (was, were)

d. It _____ necessary that you wash the car. (is, are)

e. _____ the warning bell rung? (has, have)

C. Complete each sentence with the simple present form of the verb in the brackets.

- a. The river _____ under the bridge. (flow)
- b. We _____ every morning. (jog)
- c. The girl _____ playing with her mother. (enjoy)
- d. Students _____ hard during their exams. (study)
- e. Abdul _____ to be a doctor. (want)

D. Complete each sentence with the simple past form of the verb in the brackets.

- a. He _____ me for what I had done. (thank)
- b. Mr. John _____ a strange sound. (hear)
- c. She _____ happy and at peace. (look)
- d. The steamer _____ yesterday. (sail)
- e. She _____ school last year. (leave)

E. Imagine that it is your first day at school and you don't know anyone in class. Introduce yourself telling your classmates your name, and a little about your interests-such as your favourite cartoon character, what you like to eat, your pet dog etc. Remember all the verbs must be in simple present tense.
