

Helping Verbs

A **verb** tells of an action or a state of being.

Many verbs are made up of main verb plus one or more helping verbs.

Helping verbs include the following words:

has	will	would	must
have	can	may	should
had	could	might	did
do	do	does	= all forms of the verb do

Activity

Directions: Underline the main verb in each sentence. Circle the helping verb.

1. The cat was sleeping.
2. The cat had walked.
3. Every wildflower is blooming.
4. I ought to be home by now.
5. Someone should have told the police.
6. Nobody could see that fast.
7. I can't find my keys for going to the store.
8. They don't feel too worried.
9. They are helping her.
10. How did that happen?
11. You should have used another time zone.
12. Jeff has been talking about his car.
13. I am talking to the words to that song.
14. She might have noticed something.
15. Their computers are not working.
16. Did all the doctors agree?
17. Her job was starting slowly here.
18. How did the patients learn to read his poems?
19. How are the things connected?
20. How did we also interact with that?