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Linking vs Action Verbs

Verb is a word which expresses action or being.

A **linking verb** joins the subject and predicate of a sentence. A linking verb shows a state of being.

Examples: am, is, are, was, were, be, been

An **action verb** tells the action of a sentence.

Examples: run, hop, skip, sleep, jump, talk, snore

Directions: Read each sentence and determine if the underlined verb is a linking verb or an action verb.

1. The strong winds blew down the old tree. _____
2. Aaron is an avid reader. _____
3. Jessica's friends were very polite. _____
4. The boxes are in the back of my truck. _____
5. The movie ended very late. _____
6. There will be snow on the ground tomorrow. _____
7. Lisa paints pictures of animals. _____
8. Robert ate the crust of the pizza first. _____
9. I am one of the tallest kids in school. _____
10. Betty is afraid of the dark. _____