

LINKING VERB PRACTICE

ACT
APPEAR
BE
BECOME
FEEL
GET

GROW
LIE
LOOK
PROVE
REMAIN
RUN

SEEM
SMELL
SOUND
STAY
TASTE
TURN

Fill in the correct linking verb in each sentence. Use the list above to help you. Each verb should be used only once. Sometimes more than one answer is acceptable. Remember to use the correct tenses.

1. The dishes don't _____ clean. Did you wash them?
2. Studying for the test _____ difficult with the construction noise outside.
3. I don't know what Mom's cooking, but it _____ delicious. I'm getting hungry!
4. Every time you practice, you _____ better at it.
5. After 10 minutes, we _____ tired of waiting and went to see what caused the delay.
6. What's wrong with the dog? He's _____ strange!
7. Yesterday, she was very sick. Today she says she _____ fine.
8. The suit _____ new and expensive, but in fact it was second-hand and fairly cheap.
9. The audience _____ silent for a moment, and then burst into loud applause.
10. What's the matter? You _____ sad about something.
11. Turn down that music! It _____ like strangled cats.
12. This mystery _____ more intriguing with every chapter.
13. His homework _____ scattered in careless piles all over the table.
14. I need everyone to _____ calm while I check under the desks for poisonous snakes.
15. She _____ pale when she heard the terrible news.
16. My sister _____ very smart.
17. The mystery meat _____ like chicken.
18. His blood _____ cold with horror when he learned the truth.