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Linking vs Action Verbs

Verb is a word which expresses action or being.

A ${\bf linking\ verb}$ 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 <u>blew</u> down the old tree.	
2.	Aaron <u>is</u> an avid reader.	
3.	Jessica's friends <u>were</u> very polite.	
4.	The boxes <u>are</u> in the back of my truck.	
5.	The movie <u>ended</u> very late.	
6.	There will <u>be</u> snow on the ground tomorrow.	
7.	Lisa <u>paints</u> pictures of animals.	
8.	Robert <u>ate</u> the crust of the pizza first.	
9.	I <u>am</u> one of the tallest kids in school.	
10.	Betty <u>is</u> afraid of the dark.	