

Present Tense Verbs

Write the notes in the box and table below in your Language Arts book. Then complete the assignment.

The **tense** of a verb tells when the action takes place. A verb in the **present tense** tells what happens now.

Follow these rules when you use present-tense verbs with singular subjects.

Add -s to most verbs.	Anna <u>finds</u> several hats.
Add -es to verbs that end in sh, ch, s, zz, or x .	Anna <u>reaches</u> for a sea captain's hat.
Change y to i and add -es to verbs that end with a consonant and y .	Anna <u>tries</u> on a hat.

Choose the correct spelling of the present-tense form of the verb in parenthesis ().

Example: Anna (carry) the hat downstairs. carries

1. Anna (tell) Josh about the box of costumes.
2. Josh (hurry) toward the box.
3. Willy the cat (watch) Josh.
4. Sally (give) us the costumes.
5. Anna (push) her foot into a boot.
6. The room (buzz) with excitement.

7. Sally (wrap) a long shawl around herself.
8. Anna (dress) as a sea captain.
9. Josh (look) through some old photographs.
10. A photo (show) Dad in cowboy clothing.
11. Dad (carry) a small calf.
12. Dad (wear) a cowboy hat.
13. Dad's hat (match) his outfit.
14. Josh (try) on a cowboy hat.
15. Sally (fix) her costume.