

Main Verbs and Helping Verbs

Directions Write the main verb and the helping verb in each sentence.

1. The women are sewing animal furs together.

Main verb: _____

Helping verb: _____

2. She is making a coat.

Main verb: _____

Helping verb: _____

3. It will keep someone warm in winter.

Main verb: _____

Helping verb: _____

4. She has created a beautiful hat from bird feathers.

Main verb: _____

Helping verb: _____

Directions Write the verb phrase in the box.

1. The chief is carving a beautiful pole.
2. He will place it at the entrance of the village.
3. The little boys are learning from the chief.
4. Someday they will carve a pole.
5. They have made many small animals already.

Directions Read the selection. Then read each question that follows the selection. Decide which is the best answer to each question. Mark the space for the answer you have chosen.

In the Village

(1) The chief is carving a beautiful pole. (2) He will place it at the entrance of the village. (3) The little boys are learning from the chief. (4) Someday they will carve a pole. (5) The children have made many small animal carvings already. (6) The village is famous for its poles. (7) People have come from all around to see their poles.

1 What is the main verb in sentence 1?

- chief
- is
- carving
- pole

2 What is the helping verb in sentence 2?

- will
- place
- it
- of

3 What word could you use to replace the main verb in sentence 4?

- are
- is
- make
- made

4 What is the helping verb in sentence 5?

- made
- have
- many
- carvings

5 The helping verb in sentence 7 shows that the action took place in what time?

- past
- present
- future
- It does not show time.