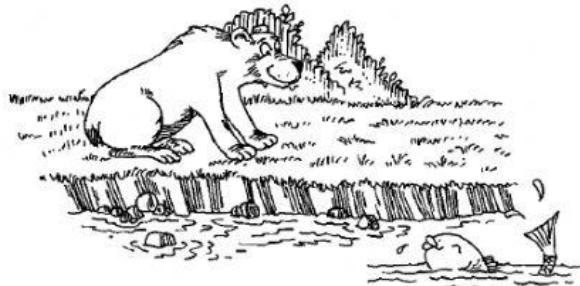


### EXERCISE. Verb review.

*Directions:* Complete the sentences with the words in parentheses.

*PART I.*

Yesterday Fish (be) 1 in the river. He (see) 2 Bear on the bank of the river. Here is their conversation.



BEAR: Good morning, Fish.

FISH: Good morning, Bear. How (*you, be*) \_\_\_\_\_ today?  
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BEAR: I (*do*)                    fine, thank you. And you?

FISH: Fine, thanks.

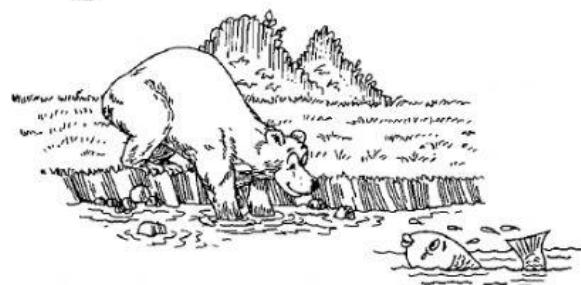
BEAR: *(you, would like)* \_\_\_\_\_ to get out of the river and  
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*(sit)* \_\_\_\_\_ with me? I *(need)* \_\_\_\_\_ someone to talk to.  
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FISH: I (*need, not*) \_\_\_\_\_ to get out of the river for us to  
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talk. We can talk just the way we are now.

BEAR: Hmmm.

FISH: Wait! What (*you, do*) \_\_\_\_\_?

BEAR: I (*get*) \_\_\_\_\_ in the river to join you.



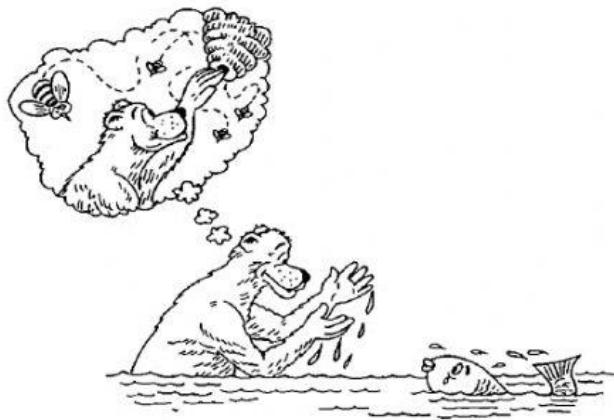
BEAR: Nothing. Just a little conversation. I (*want*) \_\_\_\_\_ to tell you  
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about my problems. I (*have*) \_\_\_\_\_ a bad day yesterday.

FISH: Oh? What happened?

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## PART II.

BEAR: While I was walking through the woods, I (see) <sup>16</sup> a beehive. I (love) <sup>17</sup> honey. So I (stop) <sup>18</sup>. When I (reach) <sup>19</sup> inside the beehive to get some honey, a great big bee (come) <sup>20</sup> up behind me and stung my ear. The sting (be) <sup>21</sup> very painful.



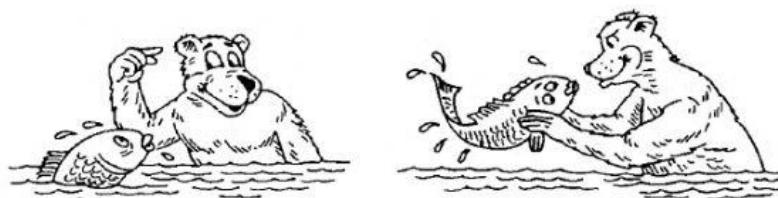
FISH: I (believe, not) <sup>22</sup> you. Bees can't hurt bears. I (believe, not) <sup>23</sup> your story about a great big bee. All bees (be) <sup>24</sup> the same size, and they (be, not) <sup>25</sup> big.

BEAR: But it is true! Here. Come a little closer and look at my ear. I'll show you where the big bee stung it.

FISH: Okay. Where (it, be) <sup>26</sup>? Where (the bee, sting) <sup>27</sup> you?

BEAR: Right here. See?

FISH: Stop! What (you, do) <sup>28</sup>? Let go of me! Why (you, hold) <sup>29</sup> me?



BEAR: I (hold) <sup>30</sup> you because I'm going to eat you for dinner.

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FISH: Oh no! You (*trick*) 31 me! Your story about the great big bee never (*happen*) 32!

## PART III.

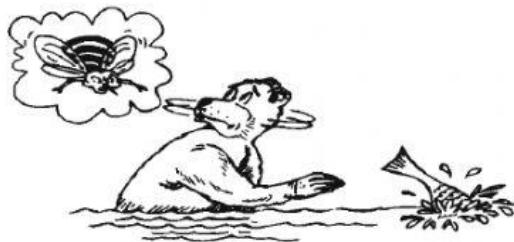
BEAR: That's right. I (*get*) 33 in the river because I (*want*) 34 (*catch*) 35 you for dinner. And I did! I (*catch*) 36 you for dinner.

FISH: Watch out! Behind you! Oh no! Oh no! It's a very, very big bee. It's huge! It (*look*) 37 really angry!

BEAR: I (*believe, not*) 38 you!

FISH: But it (*be*) 39 true! A great big bee (*come*) 40 toward you. It's going to attack you and sting you!

BEAR: What? Where? I (*see, not*) 41 a bee! Oh no, Fish, you are getting away from me. Oh no! I (*drop*) 42 you! Come back! Come back!



FISH: Ha! I (*fool*) 43 you too Bear. Now you must find your dinner in another place.

BEAR: Yes, you (*trick*) 44 me too. We (*teach*) 45 each other a good lesson today: Don't believe everything you hear.

FISH: Thank you for teaching me that lesson. Now I will live a long and happy life.

BEAR: Yes, we (*learn*) 46 a valuable lesson today, and that's good. But I (*be*) 47 still hungry. Hmm. I (*have*) 48 a gold tooth in my mouth. (*you, would like*) 49 to come closer and look at it?

