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Grammar

Present Tense Verbs

Adding **-s** and **-ing** to verbs

A verb can tell what a person, animal, or thing does.

When a sentence has only one naming part, an **-s** is added to the verb to show what is being done now. And when there is more than one naming part **-s** is not added to the verb.

One naming part

Example: The dog runs away.

Add -s to the verb

More than one naming part

The cats jump in the puddle.

Do not add -s to the verb

Also we add **-ing** to verbs to show that the action is happening now.

Example: The girl is helping her mother.

(help)

Instructions: Choose the correct verb to complete each sentence.

1. The girl _____ in the choir on Sunday.
(sing, sings)
2. The students _____ cold juice because it is hot. (drink, drinks)
3. My friend _____ on the chair. (sit, sits)
4. Max _____ on the bed. (jump , jumps)

Directions: Rewrite each verb in the brackets to tell about now by adding 'ing'.

5. The horse is _____ on the farm. (play)
6. The ghosts are _____ the house. (haunt)
7. Jim is _____ the fries. (eat)
8. Max and Bob are _____ on the phone. (talk)