VERB QUIZ

A. *Write the correct answer from the word box on the line provided.*

auxiliary	describes	existence	main	mental	physical	subject

1. An action verb is a verb that expresses either _____ or _____ activity.
2. State of being verbs shows _____.
3. A linking verb connects or links the _____ to a word or word group that names or _____the subject.
4. A _____ verb helps the _____ verb to express action or state of being.

B. *Identify by writing each action verb on the long line provided. Then, on the short line write* ***P*** *for physical action or* ***M*** *for mental action.*

1. I remember my great-grandmother's recipe for gumbo. _____ ___
2. The shrimp, vegetables and spices simmer together._____ ___
3. I always drop a little hot pepper sauce in the pot._____ ___
4. Meanwhile, white rice steams until tender._____ ___
5. I prefer this mild rice with the spicy gumbo._____ ___

C. Identify the verb in bold as either A for action, L for linking or H for helping.

1. ___Your painting ***is*** beautiful.
2. ___ John and I ***hiked*** for several mines.
3. ___The vegetables ***tasted*** fresh.
4. ___Terry ***tasted*** the soup.
5. ___Both of us ***admired*** the brilliant child.
6. ___Christopher ***can*** sing beautifully.

D. Write the **helping** and **main** verb of these sentences.

1. Scientists can explain the causes of thunder. _____ _____ The sound of thunder is caused by the heat of lightening. _____ _____
2. The bolt of lightning can heat nearby air molecules. _____ _____
3. The air molecule will then expand. _____ _____
4. The air molecule will also move. _____ _____
5. Their movement can create sounds and echoes. _____ _____
6. Because light can travel faster than sound, _____ _____ you will first see the lightening. _____ _____
7. The flash will occur almost immediately; _____ _____ only afterwards will you hear the thunder.

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