



verb

Verbs are doing or action words.
(This includes 'to be' and 'to have').



run



jump



talk

Verbs

Objects

bend
break
burn
control
fold
melt
mend
mould
open
repair
smash
snap
stretch
throw
twist

Emotion

admire
bawl
blubber
cry
despair
frown
grin
laugh
love
sigh
smile
smirk
tremble
weep
wince

Thought

comprehend
conceive
contemplate
daydream
dream
evaluate
lament
meditate
ponder
reflect
speculate
think
visualise
wonder

Movement

bounce	live	stumble
carry	pull	tap
collapse	push	throw
crawl	roll	trudge
dance	rotate	turn
dash	run	walk
drive	shake	wander
hit	skip	wave
hop	sneak	wind
hurry	spin	zoom
jump	split	
leap	stroll	

Sense

eat	observe
feel	smell
hear	sniff
lick	taste
listen	touch

Useful Verbs

change
identify
suggest
collect
locate
search
design
plan
select
focus

Voice

giggle	shout	whisper
hum	sigh	yawn
laugh	sing	
rap	sob	
scream	talk	

Note of Caution: Only use the verbs you're familiar with unless you take the time to examine the definition in the dictionary. This is **not** a list of synonyms. Each word has specific uses that are unique to its meaning.

Year 7 & 8: Active verbs for writing about texts...

Argues	Emphasises	Implies	Refers
Builds	Establishes	Indicates	Represents
Confirms	Exaggerates	Informs	Reveals
Conveys	Explains	Introduces	Shows
Connects	Explores	Means	Signifies
Creates	Exposes	Narrates	Symbolises
Describes	Highlights	Persuades	Suggests
Demonstrates	Hints	Portrays	Supports
Displays	Illustrates	Presents	Tells

Subject/Verb Agreement: The Rules

Singular

The subject and the verb of a sentence **must always agree** for the sentence to be grammatically correct.

What do you notice about the subject and verb in these sentences?

Thomas **likes** milk.

A hen **lays** eggs.

A **singular** (one) **subject** is always followed by the singular form of the **verb**.



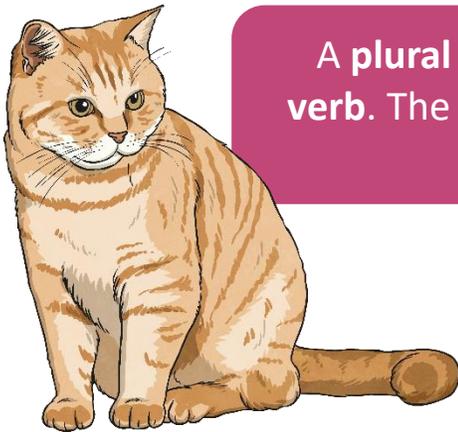
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Plural

What do you notice about the subject and verb in these sentences?

The mice **run** from the cat.

The children **follow** the Pied Piper.



A **plural** (more than one) **subject** is always followed by the plural form of the **verb**. The exception to this rule is the pronoun 'I' (and 'they' when it is singular), which is followed by the plural form of the verb

Subject/Verb Agreement: The Rules

To help with correct verb agreement, the basic rule is:

- If the subject is singular (one) the verb must be singular.
- If the subject is plural (more than one) the verb must be plural.

To form the plural of a verb in the present tense, you should remove the s (or sometimes 'es' or 'ies') from the singular form.

Here are some examples of verbs in their present tense singular and plural form...

Singular	Plural
becomes	become
catches	catch
drinks	drink
flies	fly
forgives	forgive
goes	go
hides	hide
leads	lead
rides	ride
seeks	seek
springs	spring
tears	tear
writes	write