



A good way of understanding verbs is to think of them as action, or doing words. They show what someone or something is doing.

All the action words in these sentences are showing what someone or something is doing now. We call this the 'present tense'. We often add 'is' or 'are' in front of the verb.

Circle the action words below. Include 'is' or 'are' as part of the verb.

1. The tap in the bathroom is leaking.
2. The happy children are playing in the park.
3. The boat is sailing out of the harbour.



We also use verbs in the present tense for things that happen often or all the time.

Circle the verbs below.

4. The tap in the bathroom leaks.
5. The happy children play in the park.
6. The boat sails out of the harbour.
7. The blackbird in the tree sings every morning.



Make up interesting sentences using these verbs in the present tense:

walks

finds

is digging

are hoping

rides

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Answers

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