

KS1 English Quiz - Verbs (Questions)

Our quiz introduces children to verbs (doing words) as suggested in the National Curriculum. KS1 children in their English and Literacy classes should be able to identify a verb in writing and when reading.

A verb is a doing word. It is a word that describes action and tells us that something is happening.

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- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

2. 'Every Monday I watch football.' Which word is a verb?



- watch
- football
- Every
- Monday

3. 'I will not stand when I'm told to.' - which word is the verb?



- will
- not
- stand
- when

4. 'I enjoy tennis, football and playing snooker.' How many verbs are in that sentence?



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5. Which sentence doesn't contain a verb?



- I wrestled him to the ground.
- We practised every day for two years.
- I fell on the mat and hurt my hand.
- The hall was very large.

6. Which word is not a verb?



- laughing
- cuddling
- hat
- smiling

7. Which of these words is not a verb?



- kick
- run
- hit
- table

8. Which sentence doesn't contain a verb?



- I enjoy eating in restaurants.
- During the meal, my chair was uncomfortable.
- I opened the menu.
- We talked about our favourite food.

9. Which word is a verb?



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- sneeze
- cat
- girl

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- nose
- can't
- because

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Walked, danced and slept are the verbs. Did you know that honeybees dance as a way to communicate?

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Many children think 'football' is a verb but it's not. If I say to you 'go football' you can't. You play football. Football is the game but the verb is 'to play'.

3. 'I will not stand when I'm told to.' - which word is the verb?



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The trick to finding out which word is a verb is to say each word to somebody and if you expect a reaction, then it's a verb. If I say 'when' to you, you don't need to do anything but if I say 'stand' then you are expected to move.

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The word 'enjoy' is also a verb. Snooker is played with twenty two balls.

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Laughing is considered a universal form of communicating. That means every person in the world, despite what language they speak, will know what laughing is and means.

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A good way to know if a word is a verb is by asking yourself if you can do it. So, could you kick something? run? hit? table?

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The second answer is the only one without a verb or a word that involves action.

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Sunlight causes many people to sneeze.

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Females tend to have more colds than males.