



Verbs and Adverbs

Verb - A word or group of words which names an action or state of being. Verbs may be in different tenses:

Past - *I ate, I ran, I fell, I have fallen*

Present - *I am eating, I am running*

Future - *I will eat, I will be eating*

Examples of verbs in sentences:

- 1) Hannah wrapped the sandwiches in the empty bread wrapper.
- 2) The council workers stepped over the puddles to reach the building.

Underline the verb(s) in each sentence:

- 1) He carefully placed the sandwiches on the top of his rucksack.
 - 2) Jill leaped over the wall into the corner of Mr. Fern's garden.
 - 3) Steph crept downstairs for a glass of milk.
 - 4) Stephen squeezed through the churchyard gate and walked along the wall.
 - 5) Laura pulled on her jumper too hard and the sleeve ripped.
 - 6) The dog shook the handbag vigorously and the contents emptied all over the floor.
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Adverb – a word which describes how, when or where something is done. Adverbs add further detail to the verb.

Examples of adverbs in sentences are:

- 1) Harry lifted the puppy carefully out of the box.
- 2) Sally walked briskly down the road.

Copy out the following sentences and underline the adverb in each sentence:

- 1) Thomas ate his food greedily.
- 2) Mary worked out the sum easily.
- 3) James was suitably dressed to go out in the snow.
- 4) The firefighter bravely pulled the man from the blazing house.
- 5) The cat looked hungrily at the white mice.
- 6) The ball which popped was cheaply made.