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## Verbs Link

Linking verbs do not express mental or physical action. Linking verbs connect (or link) the subject with another word in the sentence.

Be is the most common linking verb. Forms of be include

am	is	are	was
were	has been	had been	have been
shall be	may be	can be	should be
would have been			

Other verbs commonly used as linking verbs are

taste	feel	smell	look
sound	appear	become	seem
grow	remain	stay	

Linking verbs can be used in all three tenses: present, past, and future.

**Examples:** (Present) The train *is* fast.  
 (Past) Marc Chagall *was* an artist.  
 (Future) Mary White *will be* happy soon.

Circle the linking verbs. Underline the words linked by the verb.

1. Paris is the capital of France.
2. Nicole was bored with the movie.
3. Who will be the next president?
4. Sunday is the first day of spring.
5. Do you think we are lost?
6. Brrr! The water is too cold.
7. When she arrived, she was ten minutes late.
8. Apple pie is my favorite dessert.
9. The apple tasted fresh and crisp.
10. Kristie will be a good pianist some day.
11. That seems easy.
12. Something smells delicious!

