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| COMMONLY USED  **LINKING VERBS** | SOME **ACTION VERBS** | COMMONLY USED  **HELPING VERBS** |
| am  is  are  was  were  have  has  had | run swim  walk play  hit sleep  yell talk  jump teach  create discover  read learn  destroy explore  find invade | am have  is has  are had  was will  were do  would does  could did  should |
| Examples:  Fred **is** excited.  We **are** happy.  He **was** scared.  They **were** at the mall.  He **has** a cookie.  They **have** a test.  Yesterday I **had** a party. | Examples:  The astronauts **discovered** an alien on the moon.  Villains **destroyed** the spaceship.  Some babies **sleep** all night. | Examples:  I **am walking** to the store.  We **were talking** during art class.  Frank **should go** to the post office.  I **will go** to the track meet. |
| Good to know…  Linking verbs stand alone.  They often link the subject to an adjective or a noun. | Good to know…  Great writers use *vivid action verbs* to make their writing more appealing and descriptive. | Good to know…  Helping verbs always appear right before the main verb in a sentence. |