

Unit 3 VERBS

Lesson 20: Linking Verbs (pp. 92–95)

Remember

A linking verb does not show action. A linking verb links the subject of a sentence to a noun or an adjective in the predicate. The noun that follows the linking verb names the subject. The adjective that follows a linking verb describes the subject.

Linking verbs are often forms of the verb be: am, is, are, was, were, and will be. The verbs look, seem, appear, taste, sound, smell, feel and become are also common linking verbs.

Read each sentence. Write the linking verb and the noun or adjective that the verb links to the subject.

1.	Ray's parents are our coaches.	
	Lee and Fay always seem so cheerful.	
	The school garden show was a great success.	
4.	Soccer practice is always hard.	
5 .	The caterpillar became a butterfly.	
6.	These daffodils smell so sweet!	
7.	This squash tastes delicious with onions.	
8.	Three workers were winners of the prize.	
9.	Millie appeared quite confident in the play.	
10.	You sound uncertain about the future.	
11.	Yellow and white daisies are my favorite flowers.	
12.	I am an experienced photographer.	
13.	For some reason, your house appears larger to me.	
14.	Grant looks nervous about something.	
15.	Is that duck a mallard?	