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Unit 3 VERBS

Lesson 21: Verb Phrases: Main Verbs and Helping Verbs (pp. 96–99)

Remember

A verb may be more than one word. The **main verb** shows the action in the sentence. The **helping verb** helps the main verb show an action. Together, the main verb and the helping verb form a **verb phrase**.

Find the verb or verb phrase in each sentence, and write it on the line. In each verb phrase, underline the main verb.

1. Ted is writing the script for the skit. _____
2. Nora has visited Peru. _____
3. Four students were serving the fruit. _____
4. I have borrowed these books from the library. _____
5. The next players are waiting for the court. _____
6. The car could need new front tires. _____
7. I can walk to the dentist's office after school. _____
8. The outcome had seemed uncertain. _____
9. The sky should clear after lunchtime. _____
10. Luis did return your camera. _____
11. Brianna has answered the question twice already. _____
12. Our family never traveled to Mackinac Island. _____
13. Uncle Ian would agree with your plan. _____
14. The whole family will help with dinner. _____
15. Your character and determination impressed everyone. _____