

Chapter 2, Problem 5: Properties Common to Verbs

1. They occur after the subject.
2. Their subjects take nominative case (*I* vs. *me*, *she* vs. *her*).
3. They occur with the same morphological inflections:
 - ing* after forms of *be*
 - s* after 3rd person singular subjects
 - en* or -*ed* after *have*
 - 0* after non-3rd singular subjects (and some other contexts)
 - ed* to for the past.

There are idiosyncratic exceptions to some of the inflectional patterns, but these are the general properties that almost all verbs exhibit.