**Verbs Practice**

**Directions:** Read each sentence and determine if the underlined verb is a linking verb (L) or an action verb (A).

1. The strong winds **blew** down the old tree. **L**
2. Brianna **is** an avid reader. **A**
3. Jessica's friends **were** very polite. **L**
4. The boxes **are** in the back of my truck. **L**
5. The movie **ended** very late. **L**
6. There will be snow on the ground tomorrow. **A**
7. Lisa **paints** pictures of animals. **A**
8. Robert **ate** the crust of the pizza first. **A**
9. I am one of the tallest kids in school. **L**
10. Betty **is** afraid of the dark. **L**
11. Kate **jogged** over to the super market. **L**
12. Mrs. Tillman **loves** hot sauce on everything! **L**
13. Austin **talks** all the time. **L**
14. Ryan **sings** to the radio while he drives. **L**
15. Kayle **is** a bright student. **L**

**Directions:** *Circle the main verb in each sentence. Underline the helping verb.*

16. Nick will eat spaghetti and meatballs for dinner tonight.
17. Mallory is walking to the park.
18. The dogs are sleeping on the bed.
19. Elizabeth and Cheyenne had gone to the library.
20. Those quick squirrels have run up the maple tree.
21. The girls were making colorful chalk drawings on the sidewalk.
22. I am going away for the weekend.
23. Nelson has built a huge castle in the sand.
24. Miranda can swim in the pool after dinner.
25. The car is making an awful noise.
Directions: Underline the verb or verbs in each sentence. Label ACTION, LINKING, or HELPING.

Example:

After running around the track, the kids were ready for a break.

26. The smelly cat sneezed, and it was funny!

27. Terry became a very successful student after listening to the advice from his teachers.

28. I am really smart because I study daily.

29. I own a farm but my dad is the farmer.

30. Sandra graduated from Stanford University.

31. I was eating dinner when in walked my brother.

32. Scott entered first grade at a school in Maryland.

33. The students listened with great interest.

34. Melissa earned a doctoral degree in English and is now teaching in France.

35. My mom loves soap operas and watches them every afternoon.

1 Point EXTRA CREDIT:
*Explain how to differentiate between an action verb and a linking verb.