

# Literacy Moment: Week Beginning 16/01/17





# Last week we looked at adjectives!

Take **one minute** to discuss what adjectives are. If you're struggling, this picture from last week may jog your memory!



**An adjective is a describing word!**

# Week 10: Verbs

1. Have you heard of the word **verb**?
2. Can you define what a **verb** is? Discuss it with the person next to you. Give an example if you can!



**When you do this you'll realise how simple they can be!**

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**I** jumped out of bed.

'I' is the subject;

'I' am the one who jumped out of bed!

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I jumped out of **bed**.

**'Bed'** is the noun!

It is the name of an object!



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'Said' is one of the most common verbs...

How many alternatives can you come up with?

Use these when writing dialogue...they make your work a lot more interesting!

## Alternatives For Said

How did they say it?

As a Question?

asked

inquired

requested

begged

As an Answer

answered

replied

responded

acknowledged

explained

As a Statement

stated

spoke

remarked

retorted

added

wondering/wondered

pondering/pondered

Angrily

demanded

hissed

fuming/fumed

thundered

snapped

sneering/sneered

barked

ranting/ranted

grunted

roared

bellowed

Silently

thought

Loudly!

shouting/shouted

belted

yelling/yelled

screaming/screamed

boomed

calling/called

Bossily!

commanded

ordered

dictated

insist/insisted

Worried

quaking/quaked

trembling/trembled

stammering/stammered

stuttering/stuttered

gulp

Quietly

mumbled

muttering/muttered

whispering/whispered

Sadly

crying/cried

sobbing/sobbed

groaned

bawling/bawled

whining/whined

Happily

beaming/beamed

chimed

marveled

smirking/smirked

cheering/cheered

sang/sung

giggling/giggled

joking/joked

laughing/laughed

rejoiced



# Week 10: Verbs

Improve these sentences by changing the verb(s)!

1. “Hello!” he said.
2. The girl shouted.
3. Crying, he stood up.
4. The dog ran.

**Challenge:** Add one of your own!

Remember to check your work for accuracy.  
Good accuracy earns so many marks in your exams!

# Week 10: Verbs

Knowing the terminology is so important! You should be able to both **identify** (spot) a verb, and **explain** what it is and what it does. Examiners love this; it's called **technical accuracy**!

See!

Look; this week  
it's a verb!



# Key Words from Today's Session...

**Adjective:** A descriptive word.

**Noun:** The name of something.

**Proper noun:** A noun which requires a capital letter (e.g. names of people, places, etc.)

**Verb:** A 'doing' word. It describes an action.

**PLUS:**

**keep revising all the things we studied last term, too!**