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What is a Verb?

- A **verb** is a word that shows **action, state, or being**.
- But sometimes, verbs need an object to complete their meaning –and sometimes they don't.
- That's where transitive and intransitive verbs come in!

Transitive Verbs

- A transitive verb is a verb that needs an object to complete its meaning.
- The action passes from the doer (subject) to something else (object).

Structure: Subject + Verb + Object

Examples:

- She kicked the ball.
- I read a book.
- The cat chased the mouse.
- He wrote a letter.

Explanation: The verbs (kicked, read, chased, wrote) all have objects (ball, book, mouse, letter).

Intransitive Verbs

- An intransitive verb does not need an object.
- The action does not pass to anything else.

Structure: Subject + Verb (no object)

Examples:

- The baby slept.
- The birds flew.
- They laughed loudly.
- He cried.

Explanation: The verbs (slept, flew, laughed, cried) do not have objects; the meaning is complete by itself.

Quick Comparison Table


Type	Needs Object?	Example Sentence
Transitive Verb	Yes	She eats an apple.
Intransitive Verb	No	She eats slowly.

Remember

- Some verbs can be **both transitive and intransitive**, depending on the sentence.
 - She **runs** fast. (intransitive)
 - She **runs** a company. (transitive)
- Always **find the object** – if there's none, it's intransitive.
- The **object answers** "what?" or "whom?" after the verb.

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 **Instruction:** Underline the verb in each sentence and write (T) for transitive or (I) for intransitive.

1. The boy kicked the ball across the playground. (___)
2. The baby slept quietly in her cradle. (___)
3. The farmer planted seeds in the field. (___)
4. The wind blew strongly during the night. (___)
5. The students wrote answers in their notebooks. (___)
6. The children laughed loudly at the funny story. (___)
7. The teacher asked a question to the class. (___)
8. The bird sang sweetly on the tree. (___)
9. My mother baked a cake for my birthday. (___)
10. The sun shines brightly in the morning. (___)
11. The driver stopped the car near the signal. (___)
12. The baby cried when she was hungry. (___)
13. The player hit the ball out of the field. (___)
14. The boy ran fast to catch the bus. (___)
15. The cat caught a mouse in the kitchen. (___)
16. The flowers bloomed beautifully in spring. (___)
17. The doctor examined the patient carefully. (___)
18. The leaves fell from the tall tree. (___)
19. The chef cooked a delicious meal for the guests. (___)
20. The stars twinkled in the night sky. (___)

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 **Instruction:** Complete each sentence with the correct transitive or intransitive verb from the word box.

run eat sleep read fly wash build cry grow sing open laugh
throw listen shine paint arrive climb drink play

1. The children love to _____ in the garden every evening.
2. My father _____ the car carefully before driving.
3. The baby _____ loudly when she is hungry.
4. We _____ water from the bottle after playing.
5. The workers _____ a new bridge across the river.
6. The teacher asked us to _____ a short story about animals.
7. The man _____ the door and entered the room.
8. The artist _____ a beautiful picture of mountains.
9. The students _____ carefully to their teacher.
10. The flowers _____ quickly in the sunlight.
11. The airplane _____ high above the clouds.
12. The cat _____ after seeing the dog.
13. The boy _____ his toy ball into the basket.
14. The sun _____ brightly after the rain stopped.
15. We _____ our hands before eating lunch.
16. The girl _____ a song during the school concert.
17. The baby _____ in her bed at night.
18. The team _____ very hard to win the match.
19. The child _____ up the tree to see the bird's nest.
20. Everyone _____ happily after hearing the funny joke.

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 **Instruction:** Rewrite each sentence as directed – change from transitive to intransitive or vice versa.

1. She eats an apple. → _____
2. The birds fly. → _____
3. He opened the door. → _____
4. The dog barked. → _____
5. They built a house. → _____
6. The baby cried. → _____
7. We play football. → _____
8. The children laughed. → _____
9. She read a story. → _____
10. The stars shine. → _____
11. He wrote a letter. → _____
12. The boy jumped. → _____
13. The cat chased the mouse. → _____
14. The wind blew. → _____
15. She painted a picture. → _____
16. The students worked hard. → _____
17. He threw the ball. → _____
18. The child ran. → _____
19. They sang a song. → _____
20. The baby slept. → _____

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 **Instruction:** Tick (✓) the correct verb for each sentence.

- Which sentence has a transitive verb?
(A) The children laughed. (B) The teacher teaches English. (C) The sun shines.
(D) The baby cried.
- Which sentence has an intransitive verb?
(A) She baked a cake. (B) The birds flew away. (C) He opened the door. (D) The boy wrote a letter.
- Choose the transitive verb from the list.
(A) sleep (B) run (C) throw (D) go
- The verb in the sentence “The wind blew strongly” is:
(A) transitive (B) intransitive (C) linking (D) helping
- Which of these verbs needs an object?
(A) sleep (B) eat (C) laugh (D) sit
- Identify the intransitive sentence.
(A) The man drives a car. (B) The girl dances gracefully. (C) He cleaned the table.
(D) They built a house.
- “The cat caught the mouse.” – The verb caught is:
(A) transitive (B) intransitive (C) auxiliary (D) irregular
- “The boy ran fast.” – The verb ran is:
(A) transitive (B) intransitive (C) linking (D) modal
- The verb read in “She read a storybook.” is:
(A) transitive (B) intransitive (C) helping (D) none
- “The dog barked loudly.” – Verb type?
(A) transitive (B) intransitive (C) both (D) none
- “The student wrote an essay.” – Verb type?
(A) intransitive (B) transitive (C) linking (D) modal

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 Instruction: Use the given verbs to write one transitive and one intransitive sentence for each.

• **play** transitive:

intransitive:

• **run** transitive:

intransitive:

• **sing** transitive:

intransitive:

• **read** transitive:

intransitive:

• **write** transitive:

intransitive:

• **eat** transitive:

intransitive:

• **cry** transitive:

intransitive:

• **draw** transitive:

intransitive:

• **build** transitive:

intransitive:

• **dance** transitive:

intransitive:

• **run** transitive:

intransitive: