

Identifying Past Tense Verbs

Verbs are a part of speech that show action or events that happen in a story. Verbs that show what a character does can help us learn about their personality or character traits.

Part I. Circle the verb(s) in each sentence.

1. They jumped over the fence and caught the dog that ran away.
2. She smiled and pointed to the sky.
3. Nana hummed as she knitted.
4. He watched as cars zipped by on either side.
5. Dana looked both ways before she crossed the street.
6. He ducked under his nana's umbrella.
7. The bus creaked to a stop in front of them.



Part II. Choose from the verb bank to complete the sentences.

VERB BANK	looked	placed	gave	stopped	laughed	climbed
	wondered	pulled	reached	thought		

1. He _____ a coin from behind CJ's ear and _____ it in his palm.
2. Nana _____ her deep laugh and pushed CJ along.
3. A man _____ aboard with a spotted dog.
4. CJ _____ up his seat.
5. CJ _____ around as he _____ to tie his shoe.
6. He _____ for his Nana's hand.
7. He _____ how his nana always found beauty where he never even _____ to look.