

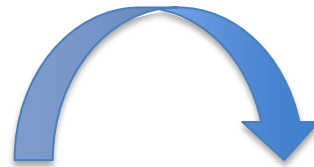
UHL2400 FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Linking verb

Links a **subject** to its **predicate** without expressing an action.

-expresses a condition or state of being



The cat **is** blue.

9 common linking verbs

am

be

is

are

seem

was

become

being

were

Examples:

The egg **smells** rotten.

Ali **is** very hardworking.

I **am** afraid of heights.

The howling wind **sounds** scary.

Helping verb

- Also called **auxiliary verbs**
- Have no meaning of their own
- **Helps a main verb express action or shades of meaning**

They **are moving** to Penang.

23 helping verbs

May	Be	Do	Should	Have	Will
Might	Being	Does	Could	Had	Can
must	Been	Did	Would	Has	Shall
	Am				
	Are				
	Is				
	Was				
	were				

Note:

- **Not every sentence** has/needs a helping verb
- Usually comes before an **ing** verb
- A sentence can have no more than 3 helping verbs in it

I **must have been** dreaming when you called.

The End

To some people, power is a noun.
To others, it's a verb.

Andre Carson

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