



Helping Verbs

The **main verb** expresses an action or a state of being. IT tells what is happening in a sentence. A **helping verb** tells when that action or state of being happened (in the past, present or future). There are 23 helping verbs: *am, is, are; was and were; being, been, and be; have, has, had, do, does, did, will, would, shall and should; may, might, must, can, and could.*

DIRECTIONS: Circle whether or not the helping verb used is correct.

1. We has never been here before correct incorrect
2. Jessie has passed that class. correct incorrect
3. Millie does expected soon. correct incorrect
4. My father were resting on the couch. correct incorrect
5. May is joining us at noon. correct incorrect
6. Will could help if we asked him. correct incorrect

Now choose three incorrect sentences and rewrite them, replacing the wrong helping verbs with helping verbs that are used correctly, and make sense.

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