



State of Being Verbs

State of being verbs connect a subject to its predicate without expressing **any action**. A state of being verb acts like an equal sign (=) in a sentence.

DIRECTIONS: Rewrite each sentence replacing the verb with an equal sign (=), as if you were writing a math equation. Does the equation make sense? Say if the verb is a state of being verb. Follow the example.

Aaron fell ill with the flu. Aaron = ill.

Does it make sense? YES Is it a State of Being verb? YES

1. Helen got a promotion. _____

Does it make sense? _____ Is it a State of Being verb? _____

2. The kids appeared to be busy. _____

Does it make sense? _____ Is it a State of Being verb? _____

3. The dog barks all the time. _____

Does it make sense? _____ Is it a State of Being verb? _____

4. The boys are rowdy. _____

Does it make sense? _____ Is it a State of Being verb? _____