

Verb Ending Sort

Choose the ending that fits each verb.

2.L.GC.1.22 "Grammar: Form and use verbs by adding -d or -es. (Introduce, Master)"

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ADD -D FOR PAST

If a verb ends in e and tells about the past, add -d. Example: hope becomes hoped.

hope → hoped

ADD -ES FOR NOW

For a verb that ends in s, sh, ch, x, z, or o, add -es to tell what one person, animal, or thing does now. Example: wash becomes washes.

wash → washes

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Circle PAST or NOW for each verb change, then choose two items and tell why each belongs there.

1. glide → glided

PAST

NOW

2. pass → passes

PAST

NOW

3. go → goes

PAST

NOW

4. smile → smiled

PAST

NOW

5. race → raced

PAST

NOW

6. wave → waved

PAST

NOW

7. buzz → buzzes

PAST

NOW

8. catch → catches

PAST

NOW

2 PROVE IT Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN One of each

Write one new verb change for PAST and one new verb change for NOW.

PAST _____

NOW _____

CHALLENGE

Write one sentence with a new -d verb and one sentence with a new -es verb. Underline the changed verbs.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	glide → glided	PAST	Glide ends in e, so add d to tell about the past.
2	pass → passes	NOW	Pass ends in s, so add es for one person, animal, or thing doing it now.
3	go → goes	NOW	Go ends in o, so add es for one person, animal, or thing doing it now.
4	smile → smiled	PAST	Smile ends in e, so add d to tell about the past.
5	race → raced	PAST	Race ends in e, so add d to tell about the past.
6	wave → waved	PAST	Wave ends in e, so add d to tell about the past.
7	buzz → buzzes	NOW	Buzz ends in z, so add es for one person, animal, or thing doing it now.
8	catch → catches	NOW	Catch ends in ch, so add es for one person, animal, or thing doing it now.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **PAST:** close → closed
- **NOW:** mix → mixes

Challenge: Last night, I _danced_. My dog _pushes_ the ball.

For Part 2, accept explanations that name the verb ending and whether the verb tells about the past or what one person, animal, or thing does now. Part 3 and the challenge may have many correct answers if the verb forms and sentences are correct.