

VERBS

The verb is the word that tells you what's happening in a sentence.

present tense

e.g. He eats.
He is eating.

past tense

e.g. He was eaten.
He has eaten.
He used to eat.
He had eaten.

future tense

e.g. He will eat.
He is going to eat.

Choose **powerful** verbs for clarity and effect.

e.g. eat → gobble, nibble, devour...

ADVERBS

Adverbs fill in background detail about what happens.

where?

We looked everywhere.
She came downstairs.

e.g. inside
outside
here
there
everywhere
downstairs

how?

e.g. gently
sadly
happily
carefully
strangely

She listened carefully.
It was strangely quiet.

when?

e.g. now
then
afterwards
yesterday
earlier

I'll see you tomorrow.
We had finished the work earlier.

how often?

Sometimes we have pizza for tea.
They often had arguments.

how much?

We really tried our best.
He felt extremely upset.

how likely?

We definitely should have won.
Perhaps he forgot.