

VERBALS

Verbals are verb forms which are used as nouns, adjectives, and adverbs.

GERUND

Usually, when you add the letters -ING to any verb, you turn that verb into a gerund. When a verb is made into a gerund, the gerund functions as a noun.

EX.

Run (verb) => Running (noun)

Jump (verb) => Jumping (noun)

INFINITIVES

The infinitive is the TO form of a verb, where the word TO appears alongside the verb. Infinitives may act as nouns, adjectives, and adverbs.

EX:

To make

To have

To hold

To shop

To be

EX:

To shop is a wonderful hobby when one has money. Notice how *To shop* serves as a subject of the sentence.

PARTICIPLES

Most verbs when paired with the suffix -ED form participles. Participles are used as adjectives.

EX:

The *broken* chain was repaired.

Not all verbs add -ED to make the participle formation.

Participles may end in the following letters as well:

- t as in *built* (the past participle of build)
- ed as in *danced* (the past participle of dance)
- en as in *broken* (the past participle of broke)
- ght as in *taught* (the past participle of teach)
- n as in *worn* (the past participle of wore)