

VERB EXERCISE #2

Indicate whether the underlined verb is past, present, or future.

1. Civilization is still moving reasonably slow. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Oftentimes, civilizations encounter conditions which slow progress. \_\_\_\_\_
3. One example of slowed progress is the dark ages, where scientific and technological advances failed to occur due to the overbearing nature of superstition. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Galileo Galilei was seen as a heretic when he proposed Heliocentrism (the principle that the sun is the center of the solar system and the Earth revolved around it). \_\_\_\_\_
5. Heretics, people not agreeing with the belief systems of the time, were often burned at the stake, boiled, or set aflame. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Today, while belief systems still limit the exploration of science and technology, many religious groups are adapting to technology. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Stem cell research is a modern example of "slowed progress." \_\_\_\_\_
8. Stem cells are cells which able to be used for multiple purposes. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Stem cells can serve as alternative type of cell in many instances. \_\_\_\_\_
10. For example, if an organ in the human body is injured (accidentally or even naturally), then a stem cell may be used to replace the sick, dead, or dying cells in the organ. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Initially, stem cells were thought to only be available through infant cord blood.  
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12. However, with modern technology, stem cells can be made with almost any cell through a process of reprogramming. \_\_\_\_\_
13. Doctors may take another cell from the body and reprogram the cell to become a stem cell, thus the cell may be used for any purpose. \_\_\_\_\_
14. Doctors may then remove damaged tissue and use stem cells to repair organs such as damaged livers and hearts. \_\_\_\_\_
15. Hopefully, in the future, stem cell research will be less inhibited, because it will save lives.  
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16. Moreover, perhaps the process will be improved and make even the most religious individual open to the option of saving a life rather than letting it end. \_\_\_\_\_