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Action!



Action verbs make our writing exciting because they show instead of tell. The first sentence in each pair below uses a linking verb and adjective.

Using the word bank, choose the best action verb that replaces the underlined verb phrase. Write that word on the blank line.

shivers	yawned	stink	cried	smiled
galloped	jokes	rumbles	sparkle	sneezed



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| 5. The horse <u>was fast</u> . | The horse _____. |
| 6. Misha <u>is cold</u> . | Misha _____. |
| 7. The windows <u>are clean</u> . | The windows _____. |
| 8. The old truck <u>is noisy</u> . | The old truck _____. |
| 9. Terrence <u>was sleepy</u> . | Terrence _____. |
| 10. My brother <u>is funny</u> . | My brother _____. |

ANSWER KEY

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9. Terrence was sleepy. Terrence yawned.

10. My brother is funny. My brother jokes.