

The dog *attacks* the boy. (verb)

The *attacks* were horrible. (noun)

They must _____ (it).

The parentheses around *it* indicate that a

Test the frame sentence with each of the following verbs: *construct*, *decide*, *sell*, *shape*, and *show*. Each verb, when used in the frame, forms a sentence.

Now, try using a noun like *construction* or *sale* or an adjective like *decisive* or *pretty*. Using a noun or an adjective in the frame does not form a sentence.

They must _____good/well.

Although some verbs will fit the first frame sentence, others will fit when followed by an adjective.

Test the frame sentence with each of the following verbs: *be*, *smell*, *sound*,

Answer Key for Activity

- 1) a, b, c, d, e
- 2) a, b, c, d, e
- 3) a, b, c, d, e
- 4) a, b, c, d, e
- 5) a, b, c, d, e
- 6) none, not a verb
- 7) a, b, c, d, e
- 8) none, not a verb
- 9) none, not a verb

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