English Grammar 3rd Stage

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- **Verbs**

- Verbs are identified by their **inflectional morphemes** and **derivational morphemes**.

- **Inflectional morphemes**

- -s or -es: This suffix is added to the base form of a verb to indicate third-person singular present tense. For example, "He walks to school" or "She watches TV."

- -ed: This suffix is added to the base form of a verb to indicate past tense or past participle. For example, "I walked to school" or "They have watched TV."

- -ing: This suffix is added to the base form of a verb to indicate progressive aspect or present participle. For example, "I am walking to school" or "They are watching TV."

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- -en: This suffix is added to some irregular verbs to indicate past participle. For example, "I have eaten breakfast" or "She has taken the bus."

- **Exercise:**

- The president met the leaders of the parade.

- The mines had been swept away.

- The water is spreading into the meadow.

- The ruler is lying on the table.

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- **Derivational morpheme**

1. -ize or -ise: This suffix is added to a noun or adjective to create a verb that means "to make" or "to become." For example, "modernize," "advertise," and "polarize" are all verbs formed using the -ize or -ise suffix.

2. -en: This suffix is added to a noun or adjective to create a verb that means "to make or become." For example, "darken," "lengthen," and "soften" are all verbs formed using the -en suffix.

3. -ify: This suffix is added to a noun or adjective to create a verb that means "to make" or "to cause to be." For example, "beautify," "simplify," and "purify" are all verbs formed using the -ify suffix.

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- **Derivational morpheme**

4. -ate: This suffix is added to a noun or adjective to create a verb that means "to cause to be" or "to become." For example, "activate," "educate," and "accelerate" are all verbs formed using the -ate suffix.

5. -ize: This suffix is added to a noun to create a verb that means "to give the qualities of" or "to make similar to." For example, "heroize," "eulogize," and "idolize" are all verbs formed using the -ize suffix.

6. -en: This suffix is added to an adjective to create a verb that means "to become like" or "to make like." For example, "harden," "flatten," and "strengthen" are all verbs formed using the -en suffix.

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- **Exercises:**

1) The judge personifies justice.

2) The paragraph will weaken your paper.

3) I can't soften it.

4) The tale must have terrorized you.