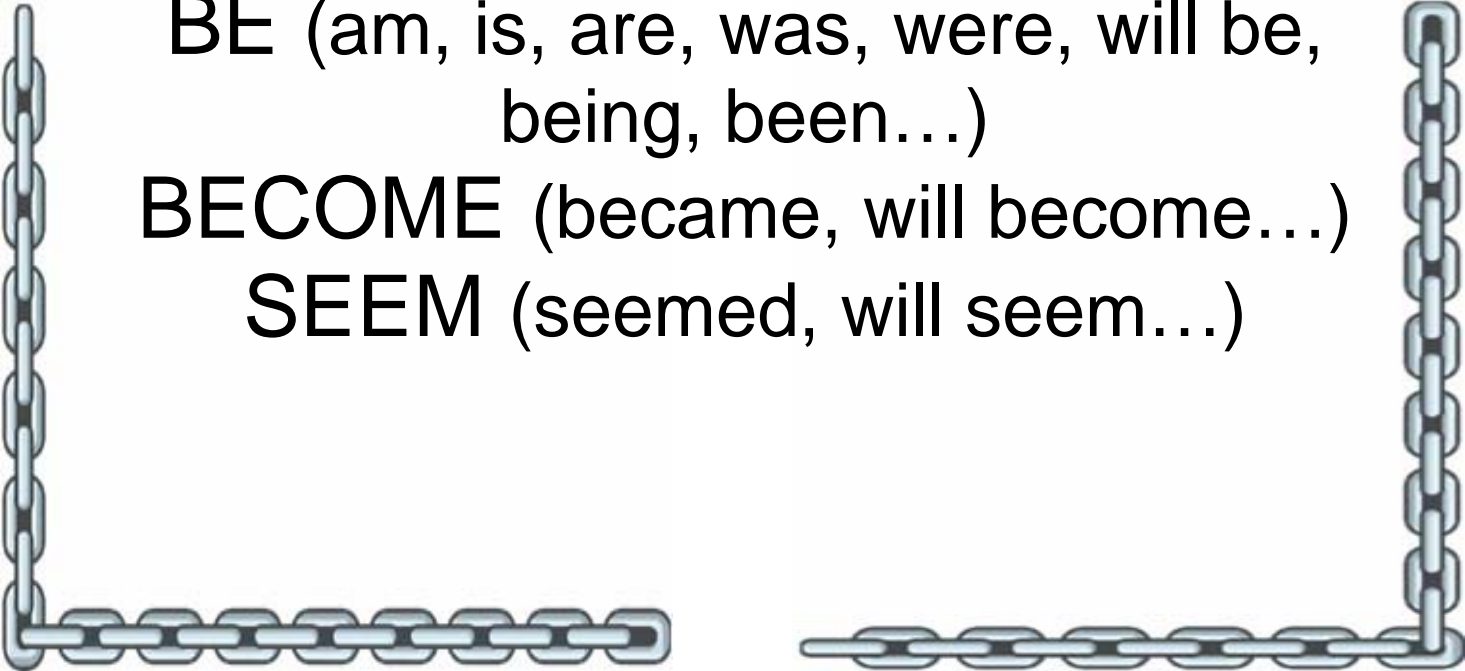




# LINKING VERBS:

- connect subject and predicate
- show how and what things are
  - are “state of being” verbs
  - are not action verbs

Some linking verbs are  
*always* linking verbs:



BE (am, is, are, was, were, will be,  
being, been...)

BECOME (became, will become...)

SEEM (seemed, will seem...)



# LINKING VERBS:

- connect subject and predicate
- show how and what things are
  - are “state of being” verbs
  - are not action verbs

Some linking verbs are  
*sometimes* linking verbs:

ACT

APPEAR

FEEL

LIE

GET

GROW

LOOK

PROVE

REMAIN

SMELL

SOUND

STAY

TASTE

RUN

TURN





# SOME VERBS

that work as action verbs  
also work as linking verbs

He *acted* strange. (linking)

He *acted* in a play. (action)

She *remained* silent. (linking)

She *remained* at school. (action)

- Ask yourself: Is the verb *doing* something?

If yes, it's an *action verb*.

- Ask yourself: Can I change the verb to *is*?

If yes, it's a *linking verb*.

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# SENSE VERBS

that work as action verbs  
also work as linking verbs

He **tasted** the dinner.  
The dinner **tastes** great.

The bell **sounds** at 8 a.m.  
It **sounds** interesting.

She **smelled** the flowers.  
Her feet **smell** terrible.

We **felt** the wind on our faces.  
I **feel** fantastic.

He **looked** for the book.  
The picture **looked** lovely.