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A **verb** is an action verb and almost every sentence in English requires one.

In many cases we use **more than one verb** next to each other and that's when we need to use the correct verb formation.

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Let's review this example sentence, which has two verbs next to each other.

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They **continued working** together

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The first verb (continued) is always conjugated according to the subject (they).

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They continued working together

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The second verb (working) must follow a very special verb formation rule. We're going to learn these rules in today's course.

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They **continued** working together

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They **continued** **working** together

Conjugated according
to the subject

Changes according to
the verb formation
rule

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There are three different verb formations;



Infinitive



To + infinitive



Gerund (ING ending)

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In this example, the gerund verb formation is used (ING ending).

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They **continued** working together

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In this example, the infinitive verb formation is used.

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We **could** go to the cinema later if you'd like

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In this example, the to + infinitive verb formation is used.

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We **need** to buy some more milk!

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We must follow very special rules to decide which verb formation to use. In our following grammar video, we will explain these rules.