

UNIT 4 – A BIG SURPRISE

PARAJUMBLE

Read the following sentences.

1. ‘Someone has stolen my beautiful tomato!’
2. ‘I am going to take my chickens to the district exhibition.’
3. ‘Why don’t you take your big tomato to the exhibition?’
4. ‘How did my tomato get here?’

The words **has**, **am**, **do**, **did** in these sentences are not main verbs.

They support the main verbs (stolen, going, take and get) that follow them.

These are called **helping verbs** or **auxiliary verbs**.

- The **auxiliary verb**, ‘do’ and its other forms (**does**, **did** and **done**) appear only in questions and negative sentences.
- But sometimes, the words like ‘do,’ ‘be (**is**, **am**, **are**, **was**, **were**)’ may appear in sentences as main verbs as well.
 - Examples: You **are** lazy. Rajesh is a boy.
 - I **did** it. She **does** something useful every day.
 - Radha **has** done her work.
 - I **am** a singer.
 - They **were** very hungry.

Read the following sentences and underline auxiliaries.

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2. He is a player. He is playing cricket.
3. Aruna is a doctor. She is wearing a white coat.
4. Raju is a writer. He is writing a story.
5. Raghu was doing his homework when his father came.
6. We were writing our exam at 2 p.m. yesterday.
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Complete the following sentences using the choices given below.

1. The exhibition _____ packed with audience. (am/ is/ are)
2. I _____ suffering from fever. (is/ am/ are)
3. The cattle _____ grazing in the field. (am/ is/ are)
4. We _____ watching TV now. (are/ was/ is)
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1. The exhibition **is** packed with audience.
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