Primer darem la definició complerta:

Verbs are a word or a group of words that characteristically are the grammatical center of a predicate and express an act, occurrence, or mode of being, that in various languages is inflected for agreement with the subject, for tense, for voice, for mood, or for aspect, and that typically has rather full descriptive meaning and characterizing quality but is sometimes nearly devoid of these especially when used as an auxiliary or linking verb.

Una més senzilla:

A word (such as *jump*, *think*, *happen*, or *exist*) that is usually one of the main parts of a sentence and that expresses an action, an occurrence, or a state of being.

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Verbs are usually divided in five groups:

- **action verb**: A verb that expresses action.
- **auxiliary verb**: A verb (such as *have*, *be*, *may*, *do*, *shall*, *will*, *can*, or *must*) that is used with another verb to show the verb’s tense, to form a question, etc.
- **linking verb**: A verb (such as *appear*, *be*, *become*, *feel*, *grow*, or *seem*) that connects a subject with an adjective or noun that describes or identifies the subject.
  - “Look” in “you look happy”
  - “Are” in “my favorite fruits are apples and oranges”
- **modal verb**: A verb (such as *can*, *could*, *shall*, *should*, *ought to*, *will*, or *would*) that is usually used with another verb to express ideas such as possibility, necessity, and permission.
  They are also called modal, modal auxiliary or modal auxiliary verb
- **phrasal verb**: A group of words that functions as a verb and is made up of a verb and a preposition, an adverb, or both
  - “Take off” and “look down on” are phrasal verbs.
Such a big subject needs a whole course but if you want to improve your verbal skills we recommend you this site. It is full of resources:

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