

## Conjugating Verbs

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Nouns sometimes represent the person *speaking*, sometimes the person *spoken to*, and sometimes the person or thing *spoken of*.

When a noun represents the person *speaking*, it is said to be **First Person**.

When a noun represents the person *spoken to*, it is said to be **Second Person**.

When a noun represents the person *spoken of*, it is said to be **Third Person**.

Nouns have three persons -- **first, second, third**

Does this remind you of anything else? (*Hint: Think from a Christian worldview.*)

Examples:

**First Person:** (the speaker)

“I, **William**, have come.”

“**We** heard a noise.”

**Second Person:** (the hearer)

“**Suzanne**, please come here.”

“**You** have done well.”

**Third Person:** (the person/thing spoken of)

“**Girls** like fun.”

“**Sarah** has the **book**.”

“The **tree** is tall.”

“**He** is here.”

Be sure to print off and laminate the Conjugation Charts as they are very helpful in learning to how to conjugate verbs.

I have found that familiarizing my daughters with helping/state of being verbs via conjugating has helped them tremendously.

To get started, conjugate the verb **write** in the active voice. Now try it in the passive voice.

Conjugate the verb **choose** in the active voice. Now try it in the passive voice.

Now, try your own verbs. Just fill in the blanks on the Conjugation Charts !

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<h1>Conjugation</h1> <p>© Beverly Schmitt 1997-2003, all rights reserved</p>	<p>The orderly arrangement of verbs with respect to voices, modes, tenses, and persons.</p>
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<h1>First Person</h1> <p>© Beverly Schmitt 1997-2003, all rights reserved</p>	<p>the speaker</p> <p>"I, <b>William</b>, have come." "<b>We</b> heard a noise."</p>
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<h1>Second Person</h1> <p>© Beverly Schmitt 1997-2003, all rights reserved</p>	<p>the hearer</p> <p><b>Suzanne</b>, please come here." <b>You</b> have done well."</p>
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<h1>Third Person</h1> <p>© Beverly Schmitt 1997-2003, all rights reserved</p>	<p>the person/thing spoken of</p> <p>"<b>Girls</b> like fun." "<b>Sarah</b> has the <b>book</b>." "The <b>tree</b> is tall." "<b>He</b> is here."</p>
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