

Identify Verbs



Buy and **sell** are **action verbs**. An action verb tells what someone or something does.

She **buys** lettuce.

He **sells** vegetables.

Try It Together

Talk about these words. Act out the words that are action verbs.

desk	man
shop	clap
jump	orange



Making Connections Read more about how **goods** are sold to get people what they **need** and **want**.

Genre An **online article** is a story or text on the Internet.

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Farmers Sell Flowers to Save Land

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September 21, 2009–
Farmers in Brazil grow
crops. Cid Simoes and
Paola Segura had an idea
to help farmers save land.



▲ Cid Simoes and Paola Segura



▲ These are soybean crops. They need a lot of land to grow.

The forests of Brazil have beautiful plants and flowers. People around the world want to **buy** them.

Farmers can **sell** these plants and flowers instead of crops. ❖



▲ Brazilian orchid



▲ Orchid market

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Compare Author's Purpose

Articles have different topics. Authors write articles for different reasons.

Markets



The topic of this article is markets around the world.

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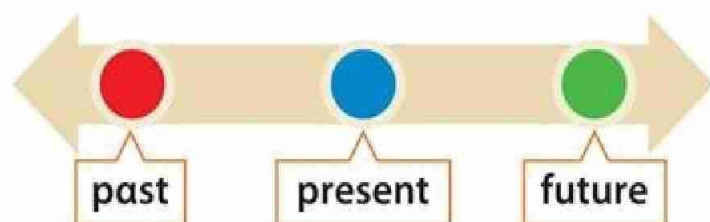
The author's purpose for writing this article is to tell about flower farmers in Brazil.

Talk Together

Think about what you read and learned. How do we get what we need and **want**?

Present Tense Verbs

Some **verbs** tell about actions that happen **in the present**. The actions happen **now**.



Grammar Rules Present Tense Verbs

Tell what one person or thing does now.

Use **s** at the end of the verb.

Read a Sentence

Why does the verb below have **s**?

The girl **buys** flowers.

Write a Sentence

Write a sentence about a farmer in Brazil.

Write about what a farmer does now. Read it to a partner.