<u>Verbs</u> Curriculum-Based Readers Theatre Script

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1	Welcome basketball fans!
2	Tonight's game is
All	The Virginia Verbs vs. the Indiana Adjectives! [sound effect]
3	And now—your starting lineup of Verbs!
4	Number 23—The Complete Verb!
All	Complete Verb—includes the helping verb and the main verb!
5	What's a helping verb?
6	A helping verb works with the main verb.
7-9	Have – has – will –helping verbs! [gesture]
All	Have – has – will –helping verbs! [gesture]
10	Well, okay then—what's a main verb?
All	The main verb shows the action! [gesture]
11	Dude, I need some basketball main verbs.
7-9	Dribble! Shoot! Run! and Score! [gesture]
All	Dribble! Shoot! Run! and Score! [gesture]
12	And now—introducing the Tense Triplets!
All	[sound effect] Number 24—Present Tense! [gesture]
13	I shoot the basketball today!
All	Number 25—Past Tense! [gesture]
14	I shot the basketball yesterday!
All	Number 26—Future Tense! [gesture]
15	I will shoot the basketball tomorrow!
10	Oh my gosh, what's present tense?
All	A present tense verb shows action that is happening now. [gesture]
5	Bro—then what's past tense?
All	A past tense verb shows action that has already happened. [gesture]
4	Ummmm, then what's future tense?
All	A future tense verb shows action that is going to happen using the helping verb "will." [gesture]
7-9	W-I-L-L—Will!
All	W-I-L-L—Will!
16	Number 25, Past Tense, used to be a present tense verb.
17	To become past tense, he added –ED to the main verb.
All	Dribble—present tense. Dribbl<u>ed</u>—past tense!
7-9	Dribble ends in E, so you drop the E and add –ED!
All	Dribble ends in E, so you drop the E and add –ED! Past tense—Yay!
18	What about verbs that end in Y?
7-9	You change the Y to I and add –ED!
All	Hurry! Hurried! H-U-R-R-I-E-D!
19	[whistle] Stop!
20	Stop is a verb with a single vowel—O—and a consonant—P. How do we make a verb like 'stop" past tense?
7-9	Double the consonant and add –ED! S-T-O-P-P-E-D!
All	Double the consonant and add –ED! S-T-O-P-P-E-D!
21	And now, let's tell you about number 26—Future Tense!
All	Future tense verbs always have the same first name—Will!
All	Will play! Will score! Will win! Future tense—Yay!
15	And last in our starting line-up is our newest player—
5	traded from the Nebraska Nouns—
7-9	Person Place Thing!
2	And now, ladies and gentlemen, it's time for the jump ball!
All	[sound effect] [gesture] {Freeze in pose.}
3	Two hours later…
1	Final score—the Indiana Adjectives 70, the Virginia Verbs 99!
All	{unfreeze} [sound effect]
4	Join us next week when the Virginia Verbs take on the Colorado Conjunctions. Till then—Good night!
All	Go, Verbs! [gesture]