Verbs and Verb Phrases
With Horses...

Reading Level 1

Directions: Read each of the following sentences and identify the verb phrase. Circle your response. Some sentences have a one-word verb phrase.

1. Star's mane was blowing in the summer wind.
   a) was
   b) blowing
   c) was blowing
   d) was blowing in

2. Strider is a boy horse with a grey mane and chrome hooves.
   a) is
   b) a
   c) is a
   d) is a boy horse with

3. Galloping through Ghost Valley can be scary.
   a) Galloping
   b) can be
   c) Galloping through
   d) can be frightening

4. Moon, the leader of the Night Horses, has white ribbons in her coat.
   a) has
   b) leader
   c) leader of
   d) has white ribbons

5. Sunny can shoot rainbows from her hooves.
   a) can
   b) shoot
   c) can shoot
   d) can shoot rainbows

6. Flying all day long makes Cloudy grumpy.
   a) Flying
   b) Flying all
   c) grumpy
   d) makes

7. Cloudy combed her mane and put ribbons in her hair.
   a) combed
   b) combed her
   c) combed her mane
   d) combed and put
8. The Night Horses have been fighting the Day Horses since the dawn of the horse.
   a) have 
   b) have been 
   c) been fighting 
   d) have been fighting 

9. The Night Horses are stronger in the rays of the full moon.
   a) are 
   b) are stronger 
   c) are in 
   d) are stronger in 

10. Sunny might have spent more time in the sun than any other horse.
    a) might 
    b) might have 
    c) might have spent 
    d) spent 

11. Strider has not been wearing his jetpack at the horse battles.
    a) has been 
    b) has been wearing 
    c) been wearing 
    d) has not been 

12. Star was praying quietly in her room.
    a) was 
    b) praying 
    c) was praying 
    d) was praying quietly 

13. Star is doing her homework by the light of the Moon.
    a) is 
    b) is doing 
    c) doing 
    d) is doing her 

14. The Day Horses have a crystal castle in the clouds.
    a) have 
    b) have a 
    c) have a crystal 
    d) have a crystal castle 

15. Rainy and Sunny crossed beams and made a rainbow.
    a) crossed 
    b) crossed beams 
    c) crossed beams and 
    d) crossed and made 

16. Cloudy and Rainy were being rude to Moon.
    a) being 
    b) were being 
    c) were being rude 
    d) were
17. Sunny swept, scrubbed, and cleaned the stables.
a) swept  
b) scrubbed and cleaned  
c) swept, scrubbed, and cleaned  
d) swept, scrubbed, and cleaned the stables

18. Moon and Sunny were best friends once.
a) were  
b) were best  
c) were friends  
d) were best friends

19. Strider would have led the Night Horses on the mission if Moon hadn't shown up.
a) led  
b) would led  
c) would have  
d) would have led

20. Sunny might be sleeping on a pile of hay.
a) be  
b) sleeping  
c) be sleeping  
d) might be sleeping

21. Star's mane sparkled with shiny glitter even in the dark.
a) sparkled  
b) sparkled with  
c) mane sparkled with  
d) sparkled with shiny

22. Rainy and Cloudy jumped over the fence and grazed in the clover patch.
a) jumped  
b) jumped over  
c) jumped and grazed  
d) jumped over the fence

23. Strider wore a heavy steel saddle into battle.
a) wore a saddle  
b) wore  
c) wore a  
d) wore a heavy steel saddle

24. Sunny may have been snoring last night in the stable.
a) been snoring  
b) have been snoring  
c) may have been snoring  
d) snoring

25. Sunny will never defeat the Night Horses by herself.
a) will  
b) defeat  
c) will defeat  
d) will never defeat the Night Horses
26. Rainy is shopping with her sister Cloudy at the horse mall.
   a) is  
   b) is shopping  
   c) shopping  
   d) is shopping with

27. Star stood on her hind legs and whinnied at the Day Horses.
   a) stood  
   b) stood on  
   c) stood and whinnied  
   d) stood on and whinnied at the Day Horses

28. Cloudy already ate all of the cupcakes.
   a) ate  
   b) already ate  
   c) ate all of  
   d) already ate all of

29. Moon had grown tired of Cloudy and Rainy's antics.
   a) had  
   b) had grown tired  
   c) had grown tired of  
   d) had grown

30. Rainy will be serving guests during the next horse party.
   a) serving  
   b) be serving  
   c) will be serving  
   d) will be serving guests