

## LIST OF ENGLISH VERB CONSTRUCTION TYPES

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### Intransitive:

v-intr | suAg | ACTIVITY

**the boy jumps**

DEF boy-DEF jump-SG.PRES

v-intr | suAg | SEMELFACTIVE

**the boy jumps**

DEF boy jump-SG.PRES

v-intr | suAg | COMPLETEDMONODEVMNT

**Jack ate.**

J eat-PAST

v-intr | suSens | PROTR-SENSATION

**the boy listens**

DEF boy listen-SG.PRES

v-intr | suTh | PROCESS

**the ice melts**

DEF ice melt-SG.PRES

v-intr | suTh | SUSTAINEDPHENOM

**the rain continued**

DEF rain continue-PST

v-intr | suThmover | MOTION

**the ball rolls**

DEF ball roll-SG.PRES

v-intr-suAbsGer | suThsit | ASSESS

**getting money for political favours stinks**

get-GER money for PREP political favours stink-SG.PRES

v-intr-suNrg | PHENOM

**it rains**

PRON.EXPL rain-PRES

v-intrAdv | suAg | ACHIEVEMENT

**he functions well**

3SG function-SG.PRES well

**Jane writes badly**

J write-3SG.PRES badly

v-intrAdv | suTh | PROPTY

**The machine functions well**

DET machine function-3SG.PRES well

v-intrObl | suAg\_oblInstr | ACTIVITY

**Jane wrote with a pen**

J write-PST with DET pen

v-intrObl | suAg\_oblTrgt | ACTIVITY

**Jane wrote to John**

J write-PST to J

v-intrObl-oblEndpt | suAgmover | MOTIONDIRECTED

**John walked into the room**

v-intrObl | suExp\_oblCsr | EMOTIONCAUSED  
**they grieved over the death**  
PRON.3PL grieve-PST over DET death

v-intrObl | suTh\_oblLoc | PHENOM  
**stars appear in the heavens**  
star-PL appear-PRES in DET heavens

v-intrObl-oblEqSuGer | suAg\_oblContent | ASSESS  
**Jane believes in speaking her mind**  
J be engaged PREP write-GER

v-intrObl | suPurelyorient\_oblTrgt | ORIENT  
**the arrow points to the north**  
DEF arrow point-3SG.PRES PREP DEF north

v-intrObl | suPath\_oblTrgt | PATHCONSTELLATION  
**the road goes towards the north**  
DEF road go-3SG.PRES PREP DEF north

v-intrAdvPath | suLocomoevent | LOCOMODEVELOPMENT  
**the tour goes northwards**  
DEF tour go-SG.PRES northwards

v-intrAdvPresent-suExpn | suThmover | MOTIONPRESENTED  
**there goes the ball**  
there go-3SG.PRES DEF ball

v-intrComp | suCog\_compThsit | PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**Kathy thought I would come**  
K think-PST 1SG would come

v-intrComp-compYN | suCog\_compThsit | PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**Kathy wonders whether I will come**  
K. wonder-3SG.PRES WH.YN PRON.1SG AUX.FUT come

v-intrComp-compWH | suCog\_compThsit | PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**Kathy wonders who will come**  
K. wonder-SG.PRES WH.HUMAN AUX.FUT come

v-intrExlnk-ExlnkDECL  
**it appears that he will come**  
PRON.EXPL appear-SG.PRES COMP PRON.SG FUT come

v-intrExpn-expnAbsinf | ASSESS  
**it helps to sit down**  
PRON.EXPL help-PRES INF sit down

v-intrExpn-expnDECL\_suNrg | PHENOM  
**it happens that the earth is round**  
PRON.EXPL happen-PRES COMP DEF earth be-3SG.PRES round

v-intrExpn-expnEquat | ASSESS  
**it looks as if he did it**  
PRON.EXPL look-PRES CONJ PRON.3SG do-PST it

v-intrExpn-expnWH\_suNrg  
**it is a question who comes**  
PRON.EXPL be.3SG.PRES DET question WH.HUMAN come-SG.PRES

v-intrExpn-expnYN  
**it is a question whether he can do it**  
PRON.EXPL be.SG.PRES DET question WH.YN PRON.3S can-SG.PRES do PRON

v-intrImplMotion|suPath|CROSSINGPATHS  
**their paths crossed**  
PRON.POSS.3PL cross-PST

v-intrObRais-suNrg\_obRaisInf|obThsit|EXHIBACT  
**He appears to come**  
he appears INF come

v-intrObl|suAg\_oblAffinrem|NONCOMPLETED\_MONODEVMNT  
**she nibbles at the apple**  
PRON.3SG eat-PRES PREP DEF apple

v-intrObl|suAg\_oblLoc|LOCATION  
**she lives in London**  
PRON.3SG live-PRES PREP London

v-intrObl|suAg\_oblTopic|ACTIVITY-COMMUNICATION EVENT?  
**I talk about Jane**  
PRON.1SG talk-PRES about Jane

v-intrObl|suAg\_oblTrgt|EMISSION  
**he vomited on the tablecloth**  
PRON.3SG vomit-PAST PREP DEF tablecloth

v-intrObl|suTh\_oblLoc|INCHOATIONLOCATED  
**A crack appears in the glass**  
DET crack appear-SG.PRES PREP DEF glass

v-intrObl|suTh\_oblLoc|LOCATION  
**Boston is in Massachusetts**  
B. lie-PRES PROP M.

v-intrObl|suTh\_oblLoc|LOCATION  
**The town lies in the valley**  
DEF town lie-SG.PRES PREP DEF valley

v-intrObl|suTh\_oblPoss|POSSESSION  
**the book belongs to Jane**  
book-DEF belong-3SG.PRES to J

v-intrObl\_suWH|suThsit\_oblTh|DEPEND  
**who comes depends on you**  
who comes depend-SG.PRES PREP you

v-intrObl-suWH\_oblWH|suThsit\_oblTh|DEPEND  
**who comes depends on what you do**  
WH.human come-SG.PRES depend-SG.PRES PREP WH.nonhum PRON.2SG do

v-intrObl-suYN|suThsit\_oblTh|DEPEND  
**whether he comes depends on you**  
WH.YN PRON.3SG come-SG.PRES depend-SG.PRES PREP PRON.2SG

v-intrObl-suYN\_oblYN|suThsit\_oblTh|DEPEND  
**whether he comes depends on whether you come**  
WH.YN PRON.3SG come-SG.PRES depend-SG.PRES PREP WH.YN PRON.2SG come

v-intrObl-oblAbsGer|suAg\_oblContent|ACTIVITY-ABOUTNESS  
**they talk about travelling to Mars**  
PRON.3PL talk-PRES PREP travel-GER to Mars

v-intrObl-oblDeclNom|suAg\_oblContent|ACTIVITY  
**they talk about it being too late**  
PRON.3PL talk-PRES PREP 3SG be-GER too late

v-intrObl-oblEqSuInf | suAg\_oblContent | ACTIVITY-PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**he hopes to come**  
PRON.3SG hope-SG.PRES INF come

v-intrObl-oblInf | suAg\_oblEventcont | CAUSATION  
**we arranged for him to get a visa**  
PRON.1PL arrange-PST for him INF get a visa

v-intrOblExpn-suNrg\_expnYN  
**it depends on you whether he will win**  
PRON.EXPL depend-3SG.PRES PREP PRON.2SG WH.YN PRON.3SG FUT win

v-intrOblPath | suAgmover\_OblEndpt | MOTIONtoENDPT  
**a man runs to here**  
DET man run-3SG.PRES PREP here (where 'here' means 'point X')

v-intrOblScpr-scSuNrg\_scInf | oblCog\_scThsit | PERCPT  
**he seems to me to be in a good mood**  
he seem-PRES me in good mood

v-intrPrtcl-suNrg | TELIC-PHENOM  
**it clears up**  
PRON.EXPL clear-PRES up

v-intrScPr-scPrAdj | suSens | PROTR-EXPER  
**the boy feels cold**  
DEF boy feel-SG.PRES cold

v-intrScPr-suBPspec\_scPrAdj | suThloc | PARTWHOLEEXPER  
**my back feels cold**  
1SG.POSS back feel-3SG.PRES cold

v-intrScPrExpn-ScPrAdj\_ExpnDECL  
**it is urgent that it gets tidied up**  
PRON.EXPL be.3SG.PRES urgent COMP 3SG.nonhum get-3SG.PRES tidy-PART ADV  
**It is essential that he comes**  
PRON.EXPL be.SG.PRES essential COMP PRON.3SG come-SG.PRES

v-intrPresnt | presTh  
**there lived a man**  
PRON.EXPL live-PAST DET man

v-intrPresntLoc | presntAg\_advLoc | POSTURELOC  
**there sits a man in the chair**  
PRON.EXPL sit-3SG.PRES DET man PREP DEF chair

v-intrPresnt-suNrg\_presntREL | presThsit  
**There comes a time when nothing works**  
PRON.EXPL come-PRES DET time WH.TIME PRON work-SG.PRES

v-intrPrtcl | suAg | SUSTAINEDACTIVITY  
**Jack keeps on**  
Jack keep-3SG.PRES on

v-intrPrtcl | suTh | SUSTAINEDPHENOM  
**The rain keeps on**  
DEF rain keep-3SG.PRES on

v-intrPrtclGer | suAg | SUSTAINEDACTIVITY  
**Jack kept on running**  
J keep-PST on run-GER

v-intrPrtclObl | suAg\_obl | SUSTAINEDACTIVITY  
**Jack kept on with his running**

J keep-PST on with his running

v-intrScpr-scAdj | suThmover | EXHIBPROPTY  
**the water runs clear** (formerly it didn't)  
 DEF water run-3SG.PRES clear

v-intrScpr-scSuNrg\_scAdj | EXHIBPROPTY  
**the boy seems sick**  
 DEF boy seem-3SG.PRES sick

v-intrScpr-scSuNrg\_scInf  
**he seems to believe it**  
 PRON.3SG seem-PRES INF believe it

v-intrScpr-scSuNrg\_scAdj | EXHIBPROPTY  
**the boy seems sensible**  
 boy-DEF seem-3SG.PRES sensible

v-intrScpr-scSuNrg\_scInf | EXHIBPROPTY  
**the boy seems to be a leader**  
 DEF boy seem-3SG.PRES INF be DET leader

v-intrScpr-scSuNrg\_scPP | EXHIBPROPTY  
**the boy seems in good shape**  
 DEF boy seem-3SG.PRES PREP good shape

v-intrScpr-scSuNrg\_scPredprtcl | EXHIBPROPTY  
**the boy appears as a hero in the report**  
 DEF boy appear-3SG.PRES as a hero PREP DEF report

v-intrScpr-scSuArgCsd\_scAdv | suTh | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**the coffee boils away**  
 DEF coffee boil-PRES away

v-intrScpr-scSuNrgCsd\_scAdv | INCREMRESULT  
**the cup runs over**  
 DEF cup run-3SG.PRES over

v-intrScpr-scSuNrgCsd\_scAdv | INCREMRESULT  
**the shore eroded away**  
 DEF shore erode-PAST away

v-intrScpr-scSuNrgCsd\_scPP | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**the house burned to a cinder**  
 DEF house burn-PAST PREP DET cinder

v-intrScpr-suNrg\_scEquat | RESULT  
**it looks as though he came**  
 3SG look-SG.PRES as though PRON.3SG come-PST

v-intrScpr-scAdj | suTh | PROPTYDYN  
**the house stands empty**  
 DEF house stand-3SG.PRES empty  
**The property lay unattended**  
 DEF property lie-PST unattended

v-intrLghtScpr-scSuNrg\_scPredprtcl  
**the boy emerged as a suspect**  
 DEF boy emerge-PST as DET suspect

v-intrLghtScpr-scSuNrgCsd\_scAdj | INCREMRESULT  
**the company goes broke**  
 DEF company go-3SG.PRES broke

v-intrPrtclScpr-scSuNrg\_scAdj | EXHIBPROPTY

**The boy ended up sick**

DEF boy end-PST up sick

v-intrScpr-scSuNrg\_scPredprtcl | EXHIBPROPTY

**the boy sounds like a parrot**

DEF boy sound-3SG.PRES like DET parrot

v-intrObl | suAg\_oblTrg | COMPARISON

**The boy runs like a donkey**

DEF boy run-3SG.PRES like DET donkey

v-intrWH | PHENOM

**A time comes when nothing works**

DEF time come-3SG.PRES WH.time nothing work-3SG.PRES

v-intrAuxmodComp-compEqBareinf | suAg\_compThsit

**Jane can paddle**

Jane can-PRES paddle

This template classifies the construction from the viewpoint of *can* being the head of the construction, and acting as an ‘equi’ verb, thus with a so-called ‘root’ interpretation. From a viewpoint more motivating the term ‘auxiliary verb’, an alternative template is *axv\_intr-avlmod*, seeing *paddle* as the head, just being preceded by the modal.

v-intrAuxmodScpr-suDir\_scSuNrg\_scAdv

**he must go out**

PRON.3SG must go out

#### **Transitive:**

v-tr | suAg\_oblAffinrem | MONODEVMNT

**she eats the apple**

PRON.3SG eat-PRES DEF apple

v-tr | suAg\_obAff | CONTACTFORCEFUL

**Jack beats John**

Ja beat-3SG.PRES Jo

v-tr | suAg\_obAffinrem | COMPLETED\_MONODEVMNT

**Kathy ate the cake**

K. eat-PST DEF cake

v-tr | suAgmover\_obPathobj | MOTIONALONGLINE

**Kathy follows the path**

K. follow-3SG PRES DEF path

v-tr | suAgmover\_obAgmover | MOTIONCROSSPATHS

**the boy crosses the demonstration parade**

DEF boy cross-3SG.PRES DEF parade

v-tr | suAgmover\_obEndpnt | MOTIONtoENDPT

**Kathy reaches the top**

K. reach-3SG.PRES DEF top

**John entered the room**

v-tr | suAgmover\_obStartpt | MOTIONDIRECTED

**Kathy left the room**

v-tr | suAg\_obEjct | EJECTION

**Kathy throws the ball**

K. throw-3SG.PRES DEF ball

v-tr | suAg\_obEjctinobj | EJECTION

**she shoots plastic bullets**

PRON.3SG shoot-3SG.PRES plastic bullets

v-tr | suAg\_obEventcont | ACTIVITY  
**she sang a beautiful song**  
PRON.3SG sing-PST DET beautiful song

v-tr | suAg\_obExp | EMOTIONCAUSED  
**Kathy frightens Jane**  
K. frighten-3SG.PRES J.

v-tr | suAgmover\_obLengthcont | MOTIONEXTENDING  
**the boy walks two kilometers**  
DEF boy walk-3SG.PRES two kilometer-PL

v-tr | suAg\_obTh | REPRESENTING  
Kathy mentions Jane  
K. mention-3SG.PRES J.

v-tr | suAg\_obThincrem | COMPLETED\_MONODEVMNT  
**Kathy read the book**  
K. read-PST book-DEF

v-tr | suAg\_obThmover | MOTIONCAUSED  
**Kathy sends the parcel**  
K. send-3SG.PRES DEF parcel

v-tr | suAgmover\_obViapnt | MOTIONviaVIAPT  
**Kathy passes the church**  
K. pass-3SG.PRES DEF church

v-tr | suCog\_obTh | COGNITION  
**Kathy knows the answer**  
K. know-3SG.PRES DEF answer

v-tr | suComitmover\_obAgmover | MOTIONPARALLEL  
**the boy accompanies the president**  
DEF boy accompany-3SG.PRES DEF president

v-tr | suExp\_obTrgt | EMOTION  
**Jane likes horses**  
J like-3SG.PRES horse-PL

v-tr | suOrientedline\_obOrientedline | CROSSINGPATHS  
**the stroke cuts the line**  
DEF stroke cut-3SG.PRES DEF line

v-tr | suOrientedline\_obOrientedline | PARALLELPATHS  
**the stroke follows the line**  
DEF stroke follow-3SG.PRES DEF line  
**The path follows the river**  
DEF path follow-3SG.PRES DEF river

v-tr | suPathobj\_obEndpnt | EXTENSIONtoENDPT  
**the path reaches the top**  
DEF path reach-3SG.PRES DEF top

v-tr | suPathobj\_obViapnt | EXTENSIONviaVIAPT  
**the path passes the church**  
DEF path pass-3SG.PRES DEF church

v-tr | suSens\_obTh | SENSATION  
**Kathy sees Jane**  
K. see-3SG.PRES J.

v-tr | suPoss\_obPossd | POSSESSION  
**Jack owns a car**

v-tr | suTh\_obBen | PENDINGSTATE  
**an accident awaits him**  
 DET accident await-3SG.PRES PRON.3SG

v-tr | suTh\_obExp | EMOTIONCAUSED  
**the book depresses Jane**  
 book-DEF depress-3SG.PRES J

v-tr | suTh\_obLengthcont | EXTENDING  
**the track measures 400 meters**  
 DEF track measure-3SG.PRES 400 meter-PL

v-tr | suTh\_obSens | SENSATIONCAUSED  
**the stone hurt Jane**  
 DEF stone hurt-3SG.PST J

v-tr | suTh\_obTimecont | LASTING  
**the film lasts 5 hours**  
 DEF film last-3SG.PRES 5 hour-PL

v-tr | suTh\_obWeightcont | WEIGHING  
**the stone weighs 5 kg**  
 DEF stone weigh-3SG.PRES 5 kg

v-trImpltransf | suAg\_obRec | RENDERINGinPOSITION  
**he dressed the boy**  
 PRON.3SG dress-PAST DEF boy

v-trImpltransfObl | suAg\_obTh\_oblLoc | RENDERINGinPOSITION  
**he spilled water on the tablecloth**  
 he spill-PAST on DEF tablecloth

v-trImpltransfObl-OblRefl | suAg\_obTh\_oblTrgt | RENDERINGinPOSITION  
**he spilled water on himself**  
 he spill-PAST water PREP PRON.REFL

v-trImpltransf-obRefl | suAg\_obPat | RENDERINGinPOSITION  
**he dressed himself**  
 he dress-PAST 3SG.REFL

v-tr-suGer | suEffector\_obAff | PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**getting money for political favours disgusts me**  
 get-GER money for political favours disgust-3SG.PRES 1SG

v-tr-suAbsger | suThsit\_obAff | EXPERIENCECAUSED  
**getting money for political favours disgusts me**  
 get-GER money for political favours disgust-3SG.PRES 1SG

v-tr-suAbsger | suThsit\_obCog | PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**building highrises interests Kathy**  
 Build-GER highrise-PL interest-3SG.PRES K.

v-tr-suGer | suThsit\_obCog | PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**My coming astonishes Kathy**  
 PRON.POSS.1SG come-GER astonish-3SG.PRES K

v-tr-suGer\_obDECL | suThsit\_obThsit | CAUSATION  
**Jane's coming entails that you must come**  
 J-POSS come-GER entail-3SG.PRES COMP PRON.2SG must come



v-tr-suGer\_obYN|suThsit\_obThsit|CAUSATION  
**Jane's coming determines whether you come**  
 J-POSS come-GER determine-3SG.PRES WH.YN PRON.2SG come

v-tr-suWH|suThsit\_obCog|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**who comes interests Kathy**  
 WH.hum come-3SG.PRES interest-3SG.PRES K.

v-tr-suWH\_obWH|suThsit\_obThsit|CAUSATION  
**Who comes decides who will win**  
 WH.Hum come-3SG.PRES decide-3SG.PRES WH.Hum FUT win

v-tr-suYN|suThsit\_obCog|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**Whether I come interests Kathy**  
 WH.YN PRON.1SG come-PRES interest-3SG.PRES K.

v-tr-obAbsger|suAg\_obThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**Kathy considers coming**  
 K. consider-3SG.PRES come-GER

v-tr-obDECL|suAg\_obEventcont|CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGENTITY  
**we arranged that he got a visa**  
 PRON.1PL arrange-PST COMP PRON.3SG get-PST DET visa

v-tr-obDECL|suCog\_obThsit|COGNITION  
**Kathy knows that I came**  
 K. know-3SG.PRES COMP PRON.1SG come-PST

v-tr-obDECL|suCog\_obThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**I assume that he is qualified**  
 PRON.1SG assume COMP he is qualified

v-tr-obDECL|suSens\_obThsit|SENSATION  
**Kathy sees that Jane sleeps**  
 K. see-3SG.PRES COMP J. sleep-3SG.PRES

v-tr-obEqInf|suAg\_obThsit|ACTIVITY  
**Kathy tries to come**  
 K. try-3SG.PRES INF come

v-tr-obRefl|suAg\_obAff|AFFECTING  
**Kathy washes herself**  
 K. wash-3SG.PRES REFL

v-trExpnSu-expnDECL|obCog\_expnThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**it worries me that he hasn't come**  
 PRON.EXPL worry-3SG.PRES PRON.1SG COMP PRON.3SG AUX-NEG come

v-trExpnSu-expnCOND|obCog\_expnThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**it will not surprise me if he comes**  
 PRON.EXPL FUT NEG surprise PRON.1SG CONJ PRON.3SG come-3SG.PRES

v-trExpnSu-expnEqInf|obCog\_expnSuThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**it pleases me to come**  
 PRON.EXPL please-3SG.PRES PRON.1SG INF come

v-trExpnSu|obMeas\_expnAbsinf||ASSESS  
**it takes two hours to go there**  
 PRON.EXPL take-3SG.PRES two hours INF go there

v-trExpnOb-expnCOND|suCog\_expnThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**I will deplore it if you come**  
 PRON.1SG FUT deplore PRON.EXPL CONJ PRON.SG come

v-trExpnOb-expnAbsinf | suAg\_expnThsit | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGENTITY  
**we make it impossible to come**  
PRON.1PL make PRON.EXPL impossible INF come

v-trNrf-obReflExpl | suAgmover | MOTION  
**the boy raised himself**  
DEF boy raise-PST REFL

v-trNrfPrt\_obReflExpl | suAgmover | MOTIONDIRECTED  
**The boy pulled himself up**  
DEF boy pull-PST REFL up

v-trNrfAdv-obReflExpl | suAg | ACTIVITY  
**he behaved himself nicely**  
PRON.3SG behave-PST REFL

v-trNrfObl-obReflExpl\_oblEqSuGer | suAg\_oblThsit  
**Jane resigned herself to waiting**  
J resign-PST REFL to wait-GER

v-trNrfPath-obReflExpl | suAgmover | MOTION  
**He pushes himself forward**  
PRON.3SG push-3SG.PRES REFL forward

v-trNrfPrtcl-obRefl | suAg | ACTIVITY  
**Kathy messed herself up**  
K. mess-PST REFL up

v-trNrfScpr-obReflExpl\_scSuNrg\_scAdj | suAg  
**he made himself sick**  
PRON.3SG make-PST REFL sick

v-trNrfScpr-obReflExpl\_scSuNrg\_scAdj | suAg | INCREMENTALRESULT  
**he shouted himself hoarse**  
PRON.3SG shout-PST REFL hoarse

v-trObl | suAg\_obTh\_oblIntrloc | COMMUNICATION  
**he told the news to Kathy**  
PRON.3SG tell-PST DEF news to K

v-trObl-obRefl | suAg\_obTh\_oblCom | ACHVMNT  
**he allied himself with the boy**  
PRON.3SG ally-PST REFL with DEF boy

v-trObl-obRefl\_oblBPob | suAg\_obAff\_oblThloc | PARTWHOLEAFFECTING  
**Jack scratched himself on the back**  
J. scratch-PST REFL on DEF back

v-trObl-obReflExpl\_oblBPob | suAff\_oblThloc | PARTWHOLEAFFECTING  
**Jack cut himself on the knee**  
J. cut-PST REFL on DEF knee

v-trObl-oblBPob | suAg\_obAff\_oblThloc | PARTWHOLEAFFECTING  
**I kicked Jack in the leg**  
I kick-PST J. in DEF leg

v-trObl-oblDECL | suAg\_obIntrloc\_oblThsit | LOCUTACT  
**he told Jack that he had come**  
PRON.3SG tell-PST J. COMP PRON.3SG PRF come

v-trObl-oblPP | suAg\_obIntrloc\_oblThsit | LOCUTACT  
**he told Jack about his coming**  
PRON.3SG tell-PST J. about PRON.3SG.POSS come-GER

v-trObl-oblYN | suAg\_obIntrloc\_oblThsit | LOCUTACT  
**He asked Jack whether he came**  
PRON.3SG ask-PST WH.YN PRON.3SG come-PST

v-trPassinf-EqSuInf | suAg\_obIntrloc\_oblThsit | LOCUTACT  
**he begged me to be allowed to come**  
PRON.3SG beg-PST PRON.1SG INF be allowed INF come

v-trObl-oblInf | suAg\_obInterloc\_oblThsit | LOCUTACT  
**he begged me to go**  
PRON.3SG beg-PST PRON.1SG INF go

v-trObl-obRefl\_oblEqSuGer | suAg\_obTh\_oblThsit | COMMITMENT  
**he commits himself to coming**  
PRON.3SG commit-3SG.PRES REFL INF come

v-trObl-oblPP | suAg\_obInterloc\_oblThsit | LOCUTACT  
**we tell the children about building houses**  
PRON.1PL tell-PRES DEF child-PL about build-GER houses

v-trOblScpr-scSuNrg\_scN | oblCog\_scThsit | PERCPT  
**he seems to me an idiot**  
PRON.3SG seem-3SG.PRES to PRON.1SG DET idiot

v-trOblScpr-scSuNrg\_scInf | oblCog\_scThsit | PERCPT  
**He seems to me to be an idiot**  
PRON.3SG seem-3SG.PRES to PRON.1SG INF be DET idiot

v-trPath | suAg\_obPurelyorient | ORIENT  
**he directs the arrow to the north**  
PRON.3SG direct-PRES DEF arrow to DEF north

v-trPath | suAg\_obOrientedline | LINESITUATING  
**he draws the line to the left**  
PRON.3SG draw-PRES DEF line to DEF left

v-trPath | suAgmover\_obLocomoevent | LOCOMOCONDUCTION  
**they take the tour to the north**  
PRON.3PL take-PRES DEF tour to DEF north

v-trPath | suAgmover\_obOrientedline | USINGPATH  
**the boy will take the path toward the river**  
DEF boy will take DEF path toward DEF river

v-trPath | suAgmover\_obInstrmover | USINGVEHICLE  
**the boy will take the bus to town**  
DEF boy FUT take DEF bus to town

v-trPrtcl | suExper\_obTh | EXHIBATTITUDE  
**Kathy approves of your choice**  
K approve-3SG.PRES of PRON.POSS.2SG choice

v-trPrtcl | suCog\_obTh | COGNITION  
**Kathy found out the answer**  
K. find-PST out DEF answer

v-trPrtcl-obDECLcmp | suCog\_obThsit | COGNITION  
**Kathy found out that I came**  
K. find-PAST out COMP PRON.1SG come-PST

v-trPrtcl-obRefl | suAg\_obTh | COMPLETEDACTIVITY  
**Kathy cleaned herself up**  
K. clean-PST REFL up

v-trPrtcl-obYN-suCog\_obThsit-COGNITION  
**Kathy found out whether they came**  
 K. find-PST out WH.YN PRON.3PL come-PST

v-trPrtcl-obWH|suCog\_obThsit|COGNITION  
**Kathy found out who came**  
 K. find-PST out WH.HUM come-PST  
**Kathy figured out what the answer was.**  
 K. figure-PST out WH.NONHUM DEF answer be-PST

v-trScpr-scBareinf|suSens\_obThsit|SENSATION  
**I saw him run**  
 I see-PST him run

v-trScpr-obRefl\_scSuNrg\_scPassinf|suAg\_obTrgt|PERMISSION  
**They let themselves be seen**  
 PRON.3PL let-PST REFL be seen

v-trScpr-scGer|suAg\_obTime\_scThsit|SUSTAINEDACTIVITY  
 we spent a week doing it

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_scInf|suCog\_scThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**I assume him to be qualified**  
 I assume-PRES him INF be qualified

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_scGer|suSens|SENSATION  
**I saw him running** (he was running)  
 PRON.1SG see-PST PRON.3SG run-GER

v-trScpr-scEqSuGer|suSens\_obTh|SENSATION  
**I saw him running** (I was running)  
 PRON.1SG see-PST PRON.3SG run-GER

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_obRefl\_scGer|suSens\_obThsit|SENSATION  
**he felt himself falling**  
 he feel-PAST REFL fall-GER

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_scAdj|suCog|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**she considers Jack qualified**  
 PRON.3SG consider-PRES J qualified

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_obRefl\_scAdj|suCog\_obThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**she considers herself qualified**  
 PRON.3SG consider-3SG.PRES 3SG.REFL qualified

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_scPredprtcl|suAg\_obThsit|PROPOSITIONALATTITUDE  
**they perceived him as qualified**  
 PRON.3PL perceive-PST PRON.3S as qualified

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_scN|suAg\_obThsit|REPRESENT  
**she calls Jane a friend**  
 PRON.3SG call-PRES J DET friend

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_obRefl\_scN|suAg\_obThsit|REPRESENT  
**she calls herself a friend**  
 she call-PRES REFL a friend

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_scBareinf|suAg|PERMISSION  
**they let the man sing**  
 PRON.3PS let DEF man sing

v-trScpr-scObNrg\_scPassInf|suAg|PERMISSION  
**they let the song be sung**

PRON.3PL let DEF song be.INF sing-PART

v-trScpr-scObArgConcurr\_scAdj | suAg\_obAffinrem | CONCURRSTATE  
**he drank the coffee cold**  
 he drink-PAST DEF coffee warm 'he drank the coffee warm'

v-trScpr-scObArgConcurr\_scPP | suAg\_obThvehcl | CONCURRSTATE  
**he drove the car in good condition**  
 PRON.3SG drive-PAST DEF car in good condition

v-trScpr-scObArgConcurr\_scPredprtcl | suAg\_obThvehcl | CONCURRSTATE  
**he drove the car like a tractor**  
 PRON.3SG drive-PAST DEF car like DET tractor

v-trScpr-scObArgRes\_scAdj | suCsr\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGENTITY  
**she pounded the soil flat**  
 PRON.3SG pound-PAST DEF soil flat

v-trScpr-scObNrgRes\_scPP | suCsr\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGENTITY  
**she put the house into good condition**  
 PRON.3SG put-PAST DEF house into good condition

v-trScpr-scObNrgRes\_scPP | suCsr\_scCsd | PLACEMENT  
**she put the shoes behind the door**  
 PRON.3SG put-PAST DEF shoe-PL behind DEF door

v-trScpr-scObArgCsd\_scAdv | suAg\_obAff\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**he kicked the ball away**  
 PRON.3SG kick-PAST DEF ball away

v-trScpr-scObNrgCsd\_scAdj | suAg\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**they drank the house dry**  
 PRON.3PL drink-PAST DEF house dry

v-trScpr-scObNrgCsd\_obRefl\_scAdj | suAg\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**she ran herself ragged**  
 PRON.3SG run-PAST REFL ragged

v-trScprShft-scObArgCsd\_scAdv | suAg\_obAff\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**he pushed away the branches**  
 PRON.3SG push-PAST away DEF branch-PL

v-trScpr-obDir\_obRefl\_scObNrgCsd\_scAdv | suAg\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**he gets himself away**  
 PRON.3SG get-PRES REFL away

v-trScpr-obPossp\_scObNrgCsd\_scAdv | suAg\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**he sang his sorrows away**  
 PRON.3SG sing-PAST PRON.POSS.3SG sorrow-PL away

v-trScprShft-obPossp\_scObNrgCsd\_scAdv | suAg\_scCsd | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**she wiped away her tears**  
 PRON.3SG wipe-PAST PRON.POSS.3SG tear-PL

**Ditransitive:**

v-ditr | suAg\_iobRec\_obTh | TRANSFER  
**I gave him the book**

I give-PAST him DEF book

v-ditr|suAg\_iobBen\_obTh|SUSTAINEDSTATE  
**he owes her a book**  
PRON.3SG owe-3SG.PRES DET book

v-trAdv|suThsit\_iobAg\_advTime|SUSTAINEDACTIVITY  
**the job took us all day**

v-ditr-suAbsger|suThsit\_iobBen\_obThabst|CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**taking walks gives you strength**  
take-GER walks give-3SG.PRES PRON.2 strength

v-ditr-suGer|suThsit\_iobBen\_obTh|CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGEVENT  
**his singing gives Kathy a headache**  
PRON.POSS.3SG sing-GER give-3SG.PRES K DET headache

v-ditr-suYN|suThsit\_iobPrvcr\_obTh|ASSESS  
**whether he comes first will give us our plan of attack**  
whether PRON.3SG come-3SG.PRES first FUT show PRON.1PL plan of attack

v-ditr-suWH|suThsit\_iobPrvcr\_obTh|ASSESS  
**what happens last gives us the plan of attack**  
WH happen-3SG.PRES last give-3SG.PRES PRON.1PL DEF plan of attack

v-ditr-iobPP|suAg\_obTh\_iobRec|TRANSFER  
**Jack supplied fruit to the store**

v-ditr-iobRefl|suAg\_iobBen\_obTh|AVAILING  
**he gave himself time**  
he give-PAST REFL time

v-ditr-iobRefl|suAg\_iobPermissee\_obTh|PERMISSION  
**Kathy allowed herself three cakes**  
K allow-PAST REFL three cakes

v-ditr-obDECL|suAg\_iobIntrlctr\_obThsit|COMMUNICATION  
**Kathy tells me that he often comes**  
K tell-3SG.PRES PRON.1SG COMP PRON.3SG often come-PRES

v-ditr-obEqIobInf|suAg\_iobPermissee\_obThsit|COMMITMENT  
**Kathy allows him to come**  
K. allow-3SG.PRES PRON.3SG INF come

v-ditr-obEqSuInf|suAg\_iobIntrlctr\_obThsit|COMMITMENT  
**Kathy promises him to come**  
K. promise-3SG.PRES PRON.3SG INF come

v-ditr-obPP|suAg\_iobRec\_obTh|TRANSFER  
**Jack supplied us with fruits**

v-ditr-obWH|suAg\_iobIntrlctr\_obThsit|COMMUNICATION  
**he tells me who comes**  
PRON.3SG tell-3SG.PRES PRON.1SG WH come-3SG.PRES

v-ditr-obYN|suAg\_iobIntrlctr\_obThsit|COMMUNICATION  
**he tells me whether they come**  
PRON.3SG tell-3SG.PRES PRON.1PL whether they come

v-ditr-iobRefl\_obEqIobInf|suAg\_iobPermissee\_obThsit|COMMITMENT  
**Kathy allowed herself to come**  
K. allow-3SG.PRES REFL INF come

v-ditr-obEqIobBareinf | suAg\_iobInterloc\_obThsit | COMMITMENT  
**Kathy bade him come**  
 K bid-3SG.PAST PRON.3SG come

v-ditr-obEqIobBareinf | suAg\_iobPermissee\_obThsit | PERMISSION  
**Kathy let him come**  
 K let PRON.3SG come

v-ditr-suWH\_obWH | suThsit\_iobPrctr\_obThsit | ASSESS  
**who comes first does not show us who comes last**  
 WH come-3SG.PRES first do-NEG show PRON.1PL WH come-3SG.PRES last

v-ditr-suYN\_obYN | suThsit\_iobPrctr\_obThsit | ASSESS  
**whether he comes first will show us whether they have a plan**  
 YN PRON.3SG come-3SG.PRES FUT show PRON.1PL WH PRON.3PL have DET plan

v-ditrComp-cmpDECL | suAg\_iobC omit\_obTh | CONDITIONALTRANSFER  
**I bet you fifty cents he won't come**  
 PRON.1SG bet-PRES fifty cents PRON.3SG FUT.NEG come

v-ditrExpnSu-expnEqInf | obMeas | ASSESS  
**it took me two hours to get there**  
 PRON.EXPL take-PAST PRON.1SG two hours INF get there

v-ditrImpltransf | suCsr\_iobAff\_obTh | CAUSATIONwithCAUSINGENTITY  
**The book cost me ten dollars**

v-ditrObl | suAg\_iobRec\_obTh\_oblMeas | TRANSFER  
**Jack sold me the car for fifty dollars**  
 J sell-PAST PRON.1SG DEF car for 50 dollars

v-ditrObl | suAg\_iobRec\_obTh\_oblTrgt | TRANSFER  
**Jack paid Jane fifty dollars for the car**

v-ditrObl-iobPP | suAg\_obTh\_iobRec\_oblMeas | TRANSFER  
**Jack sold the car to Jane for fifty dollars**  
 J sell-PAST DEF car to J for fifty dollars

v-ditrObl-iobPP | suAg\_obTh\_iobRec\_oblTrgt | TRANSFER  
**Jack paid fifty dollars to Jane for the car**

### Copula:

v-copAdj | suExper | SEMELFACTIVE  
**Jane is startled**  
 Jane be.SG.PRES startled

v-copAdj | suTh | PROPTY  
**he is kind**  
 he be-PRES kind

v-copAdj-suAbsGer | suThsit | ASSESS  
**getting money for political favours is disgusting**  
 get-GER money PREP political favours be-PRES disgusting  
**running is healthy**  
 run-GER be-3SG.PRES healthy

v-copAdj-suDECL | suThsit | ASSESS  
**that he came at all is surprising**  
 COMP PRON.3SG at all be-3SG.PRES surprising

v-copAdj-suInf | suThsit | ASSESS  
**to err is human**

INF err be-3SG.PRES human

v-copAdj-suWH | suThsit | ASSESS  
**who will come is uncertain**  
 WH FUT come be-3SG.PRES uncertain

v-copAdj-suYN | suThsit | ASSESS  
**whether he comes is uncertain**  
 WH PRON.3SG come-3SG.PRES be-3SG.PRES uncertain

v-copAdjObl-oblEqSuGer | suAg\_oblActivity | HABITUALACTIVITY  
**Jane is busy (these days) with writing**  
 Jane busy PREP write-GER

v-copN | suTh | PROPTY  
**he is a fool**  
 PRON.3SG be-3SG.PRES fool

v-copN-suAbsger | suThsit | ASSESS  
**seeing him was a pleasure**  
 see-GER PRON.3SG be-3SG.PAST DET pleasure

v-copN-suDECL | suThsit | ASSESS  
**that he came was a shock**  
 COMP PRON.3SG come-PAST be-PAST DET shock

v-copN-suWH | suThsit | ASSESS  
**who should go is the question**  
 WH AUX go be-3SG.PRES DEF question

v-copN-suYN | suThsit | ASSESS  
**whether he will come is a question**  
 YN PRON.3SG FUT come be-3SG.PAST DET question

v-copPP | suTh | ASSESS  
**the performance was beyond belief**  
 DEF performance be-3SG.PAST beyond belief

v-copPP | suTh | EXHIBACTIVITY  
**The performance is in progress**  
 DEF performance be.3SG.PRES in progress

v-copPP-suDECL | suThsit | ASSESS  
**that he came was beyond our expectations**  
 COMP PRON.3SG come-PAST be.3SG.PAST PRON.POSS.1PL expectations

v-copPP-suWH | suThsit | ASSESS  
**who may perform is under consideration**  
 WH AUX perform be.3SG.PRES under consideration

v-copPP-suYN | suThsit | ASSESS  
**whether he may perform is under discussion**  
 YN PRON.3SG AUX perform be.3SG.PRES under discussion

v-copPredprtcl | suTh | ASSESS  
**The man is like a god**  
 DEF man be.3SG.PRES like DET god  
**The result was as desired**  
 DEF result be.3SG.PAST as desired

v-copPredprtcl-suAbsinf | suThsit | ASSESS  
**to be there was like a dream**  
 INF be there was like a dream



v-copPredprtcl-suAbsger | suThsit | ASSESS  
**being there was like a dream**  
be-GER there be.3SG.PAST like DET dream

v-copPredprtcl-suWH | suThsit | ASSESS  
**what he said was off the mark**  
WH PRON.3SG say-PAST be.3SG.PAST off DEF mark

v-copExpnAdj-expnDECL | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it is sad that he leaves**  
PRON.EXPL be.3SG.PRES sad COMP PRON.3SG leaves

v-copExpnAdj-expnAbsinf | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it is great to be healthy**  
it is great INF be healthy

v-copExpnAdj-expnYN | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it is uncertain whether he comes**  
PRON.EXPL is uncertain whether he comes

v-copExpnAdj-expnWH | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it is uncertain who came**  
PRON.EXPL is uncertain who come-PAST

v-copExpnN-expnAbsinf | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**It is a chore to chop wood**  
PRON.EXPL be.3SG.PRES DET chore INF chop wood

v-copExpnN-expnDECL | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it was a disappointment that he failed**  
PRON.EXPL be.PAST DET disappointment COMP PRON.3SG fail-PAST

v-copExpnN-expnWH | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it is a question who will come**  
PRON.EXPL be DET question WH FUT come

v-copExpnN-expnYN | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it is a question whether he will come**  
PRON.EXPL be.3SG.PRES DET question YN PRON.3SG FUT come

v-copExpnNPredprt-expnAbsger | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**there is an art to eating spaghetti**  
PRON.EXPL be.3SG.PRES DET art to eat-GER spaghetti

v-copExpnPP-expnDECL | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it was in the third round that he lost**  
PRON.EXPL be.PAST in DEF third round COMP PRON.3SG lose-PAST

v-copExpnPredprtPP-expnDECL | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**It is out of the question that he comes**  
PRON.EXPL be.PAST out of DEF question COMP PRON.3SG come-3SG.PRES

v-copExpnPredprtcl-expnDECL | expnThsit | ASSESS  
**it is as well that he knows**  
PRON.EXPL be as well COMP he knows

v-copImpersAdjLoc | ASSESS  
**It is nice here**  
PRON.EXPL be.PRES nice here

v-copImpersAdjLoc-locPP | ASSESS  
**It is nice in Trondheim**  
PRON.EXPL be.PRES nice in T

v-copIdN|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**this is the man**

PRON.DEICT is DEF man

v-copIdAbsinf|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**the task is to finish it**

DEF task be INF finish it

v-copIdDECL|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**the problem is that he likes herring**

DEF problem is COMP he likes herring

v-copIdWH|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**the problem is who gets it**

DEF problem is WH gets it

v-copIdYN|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**the problem is whether he eats meat**

DEF problem is YN he eat-PRES meat

v-copIdN-suDECL|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**that he picks up the letter is the signal**

COMP PRON.3SG picks up DEF letter be.3SG.PRES DEF signal

v-copIdN-suAbsger|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**eating it is the last step**

eat-GER it be.PRES DEF last step

v-copIdAbsinf-suAbsinf|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**to eat hot dogs is to support the global economy**

INF eat hot dogs be.3SG.PRES is INF support DEF global economy

v-copIdAbsger-suAbsger|suIdfd\_scIdfng|IDENTITY

**Eating local food is supporting local culture**

Eat-GER local food be.3SG.PAST support-GER local culture

#### Auxiliary verbs:

axv\_intr-avlmod

**he can come**

As a 'root' modal, this construction can also be represented as v-intrAuxmodComp-compEqBareinf-suAg\_compThsit, and as an 'epistemic' modal, as v-intrScpr-scSuNrg\_scBareinf (see above)

axv\_intr-vPart|PERFECT

**he has come**

3SG have.PRES come.PRFPART

axv\_intr-vPart|suAgmover|MOTION

**the boy is running**

DEF boy AUX run-PRESPART