

## Action Verbs and Linking Verbs

Decide whether the underlined verb is an action verb or a linking verb. Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

1. The American folk hero Davy Crockett was a real person.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
2. He was born in Tennessee in the 1780s.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
3. Crockett worked as a hunter and a frontiersman for many years.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
4. Later in his life, Crockett represented Tennessee in the U.S. Congress.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
5. After losing an election, Crockett traveled to Texas.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
6. Crockett was one of the many men who died defending the Alamo.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
7. Even though he was a real person, some stories about him are not completely true.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
8. He has become a folk hero, or the main character of traditional stories.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
9. Some tales about him are considered tall tales that include great exaggeration.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
10. Another famous tall tale character is Paul Bunyan.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
11. Most experts agree that these stories were not based on an actual person.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
12. On the other hand, Johnny Appleseed was a real person.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
13. These stories were based on a man named John Chapman.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
14. But like Davy Crockett, Chapman's life stories became exaggerated over the years.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
15. Another perfect example of a tall tale hero is Pecos Bill.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
16. The stories about Pecos Bill are completely fiction.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
17. American cowboys created these stories to entertain each other.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
18. When you hear a folktale or tall tale, do some research to learn whether it is based on a real person.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
19. Captain Stormalong, Molly Pitcher, Slue Foot Sue, and John Henry are some other heroes to investigate.  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb
20. Which of these characters were actually real people?  
**A** action verb      **B** linking verb