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           Ken and his mother **cook** dinner.

Circle the action verb in each sentence.

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2. Craig hits the baseball over the fence.
3. The little pig grunts.
4. The roof of the house leaks.
5. The hunter searches for a deer.
6. Dr. Gold examines his patient.
7. The bluebird in the tree sings beautifully.
8. The football team dashes out of the locker room.
10. Mrs. Gray buys a roll of paper towels at the store.
11. Judy solves the mystery.
12. Harold finds a purple crayon.
Tell whether each word is an action verb or noun. Write the words **action verb** next to each action verb. Write the word **noun** next to each noun.

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14. **thinks** __________________________
15. **sneezes** __________________________
16. **clock** __________________________
17. **tooth** __________________________
18. **drives** __________________________
19. **takes** __________________________
20. **basketball** __________________________
21. **plays** __________________________
22. **relaxes** __________________________
23. **grass** __________________________
24. **game** __________________________
25. **writes** __________________________
26. **book** __________________________

Write a sentence with an action verb to describe each picture. Underline the action verb.

27. [Picture of a man eating]
   
   __________________________

28. [Picture of a woman reading]
   
   __________________________

29. [Picture of a girl with a gift]
   
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27. [Image of a man eating a slice of pie]
   
   Mr. Jones **eats a slice of pie**.

28. [Image of a woman reading a book to a baby]
   
   Mrs. Green **reads a book to her baby**.

29. [Image of a girl wrapping a present]
   
   June **wraps a present**.