

### Grammar Explanation

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#### Correcting verb phrases with a missing verb

- Use BE before the present participle (*-ing*) forms of verbs.
  - Example: *The police officer **is interviewing** the suspect.*
- Use BE before past participle forms of verbs when writing sentences in the passive.
  - Example: *The defendant **was acquitted**.*
- Use HAVE before past participle forms of verbs when writing sentences in the perfect tenses.
  - Example: *Maria **has known** José for a long time.*
- Use auxiliaries, such as DO, or modals, such as WOULD, before the base form of the verb to make questions.
  - Example: *Why **didn't** Maribel **come** to the party yesterday?*

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