

## THE 23 HELPING VERBS OF THE MEAN, LEAN VERB MACHINE JINGLE

These 23 helping verbs will be on my test.  
I gotta remember them so I can do my best.  
I'll start out with 8 and finish with 15;  
Just call me the mean, lean verb machine.

There are the 8 be verbs that are easy as can be:

am, is, are - was and were,

am, is, are - was and were,

am, is are - was and were,

be, being, and been.

All together now, the 8 be verbs:

am, is, are - was and were - be, being, and been.

am, is, are - was and were - be, being, and been.

There're 23 helping verbs, and I've recited only 8.

That leaves fifteen more that I must relate:

has, have, and had - do, does, and did.

has, have, and had - do, does, and did.

might, must, may - might, must, may.

Knowing these verbs will save my grade:

can and could - would and should,

can and could - would and should,

shall and will,

shall and will.

In record time, I did this drill,  
I'm the mean, lean verb Machine...STILL!