

Action Verbs - Physical or Mental? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Upper Level)

Many action verbs cause a physical movement that you can see.  
Some action verbs are mental actions that can't be seen.

Analyze the following action verbs. Decide if each is a physical or a mental action. Write each verb under the correct heading.

|               |               |               |                   |                |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>dance</b>  | <b>dream</b>  | <b>wonder</b> | <b>jump</b>       | <b>imagine</b> |
| <b>think</b>  | <b>worry</b>  | <b>swim</b>   | <b>understand</b> | <b>decide</b>  |
| <b>run</b>    | <b>search</b> | <b>bounce</b> | <b>remember</b>   | <b>hobble</b>  |
| <b>juggle</b> | <b>mix</b>    | <b>twist</b>  | <b>ponder</b>     | <b>analyze</b> |

physical actions

mental actions

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|--------|--------|--------|------------|---------|
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| think  | worry  | swim   | understand | decide  |
| run    | search | bounce | remember   | hobble  |
| juggle | mix    | twist  | ponder     | analyze |

physical actions

\_\_\_\_\_ dance \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ jump \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ swim \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ run \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ bounce \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ search \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ hobble \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ juggle \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ mix \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ twist \_\_\_\_\_

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mental actions

\_\_\_\_\_ think \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ wonder \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ imagine \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ dream \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ worry \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ understand \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ decide \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ remember \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ponder \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ analyze \_\_\_\_\_

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