

## Lesson Vocabulary

### Words to Know

Knowing the meanings of these words is important to reading *The Ch'i-lin Purse*. Practice using these words.

### Vocabulary Words

**astonished** surprised greatly; amazed

**behavior** manner of behaving; way of acting

**benefactor** person who has given money or kindly help

**distribution** the act of giving some to each, of dividing and giving out in shares

**gratitude** kindly feeling because of a favor received; desire to do a favor in return; thankfulness

**procession** something that moves forward; persons marching or riding

**recommend** to speak in favor of; suggest favorably

**sacred** worthy of reverence; not to be violated or disregarded

**traditions** customs or beliefs handed down from generation to generation

## Grammar

### Action and Linking Verbs

**Action verbs** tell what the subject of a sentence does. *For example: I smiled at the old woman.* “Smiled” is an *action verb*.

**Linking verbs** link, or join, the subject to a word or words in the predicate.

They tell what the subject of a sentence is like. *For example: Wai's painting looked amazing.* “Looked” is a *linking verb*.

Common linking verbs include *am, is, are, was, were, will be, seem, feel, and look*.

### Activity

**Can You Do It?** With a family member, play this fill-in-the-blank word game. Write down a handful of sentences that include an action verb—but leave a blank space where the action verb would normally be. Next, both of you should write ten action verbs on strips of paper. Write the present, and past-tense forms of each verb on the strip. Finally, take turns picking a verb strip out of a hat or bowl and using it to fill in a blank in one of your sentences. Make the sentences as silly as you can.

## Practice Tested Spelling Words

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