**Fill in the Helping Verb**

A main verb shows the action or the state of being in a sentence. A helping verb works with the main verb to show when the action or state of being occurs (in the past, present or future). Some common helping verbs are: is, am, are, has, have, had, was, were, and will.

**DIRECTIONS:** For each sentence, fill in the blank with a helping verb.

1. By the time we arrived they ______ finished watching the movie.
2. It was a pool party, so they ____________ wearing bathing suits.
3. I ______ having pie for dessert.
4. He ______ helping the little kids learn their alphabet.
5. She ______ eating a sandwich.
6. I ______________ driven my mother crazy.
7. I think I ___________ apply for the position.
8. We ________ never taking that route again.
9. They ____________ arguing about it all afternoon.
10. I _______ planning to take a vacation.
11. If they _________ called us first we could have helped them.
12. I ______ see you this afternoon.
13. Jill _______ wondering if you will vote for her.