

Positive verbs that start with F

20 verbs with meanings and examples. Updated 10 October 2026. Free to print and share in a classroom.

Facilitate v.

To make a process or action easier to complete.
Clear signs facilitate movement through the busy station.

Fact-check v.

To verify claims against reliable evidence and sources.
Editors fact-check every quotation before the magazine goes to print.

Fascinate v.

To attract and hold someone's strong interest.
The fossils fascinate visitors of every age.

Felicitate v.

To congratulate someone or celebrate their success.
Colleagues gathered to felicitate Mei on her promotion.

Festoon v.

To decorate something with attractive hanging arrangements.
Residents festoon the square with ribbons and paper stars.

Fete v.

To honor someone with warm public celebration.
The town will fete its retiring doctor on Saturday.

Fine-tune v.

To make small adjustments that improve performance.
The choir will fine-tune its timing before the concert.

Flourish v.

To grow, develop, or succeed in a healthy way.
Young trees flourish when they receive enough light and water.

Flow v.

To move smoothly, steadily, and without obstruction.
Conversation began to flow once everyone had introduced themselves.

Flower v.

To bloom or develop into a healthy and attractive state.
With support, the young poet's confidence began to flower.

Focus v.

To direct attention and effort toward a clear aim.
The team will focus on reopening the safest route first.

Foresee v.

To anticipate a future event or need.
Good planners foresee maintenance costs before construction begins.

Forgive v.

To release resentment after being wronged.

He chose to forgive after the apology was matched by repair.

Fortify v.

To strengthen something against difficulty or weakness.

Regular practice can fortify skills that feel uncertain at first.

Foster v.

To encourage and support the growth of something valuable.

Shared projects foster trust between neighboring schools.

Freshen v.

To make something cleaner, brighter, or more lively.

New paint will freshen the small waiting room.

Frolic v.

To play and move about in a joyful way.

The lambs frolic across the meadow whenever the gate opens.

Fulfill v.

To complete a promise, need, purpose, or ambition.

The new clinic will fulfill a long-standing community need.

Fund v.

To provide money for a useful activity or need.

Local businesses fund the free summer lunch program.

Further v.

To help advance a useful aim or development.

The scholarship will further her research into clean water systems.