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Identify all verbs and verb phrases in the sentences below.

Black underline = action verbs/phrases

Red underline = linking verbs/phrases

Highlight = main verbs

1. London's Tower Bridge was built from 1886 to 1894.
2. It is a combined bascule and suspension bridge, which crosses the River Thames.
3. It is close to the Tower of London, from which it takes its name.
4. The bridge consists of two towers with two horizontal walkways.
5. It has been designed to withstand the horizontal forces exerted by the sections of the bridge on the landward sides of the towers.
6. The vertical component of the forces in the suspended sections and the vertical reactions of the two walkways are carried by the two robust towers.
7. The bascule pivots and operating machinery are housed in the base of each tower.
8. The bridge's present color scheme dates from 1977, when it was painted red, white and blue for Queen Elizabeth II's silver jubilee.
9. Contrary to popular belief, the song "London Bridge Is Falling Down" has nothing to do with Tower Bridge
10. Instead, it refers to various other bridges in London collapsing.