

# **Review of Subjects and Predicates**



Every **complete** sentence contains a subject and a predicate.

The **complete subject** is the part of the sentence that tells *who or what the sentence is about*.



# Examples:

Samantha studied for an hour to be ready for  
*subject*  
the English test.

Madison's mother says that she should give  
*subject*  
some of her toys away.

Our new puppy enjoys the safety of being in  
*subject*  
her crate.



**Follow along as I identify the complete subject from the following sentences. Remember, the complete subject is all of the words that tell what the sentence is about.**



1. Jackson jumped in the water to  
take a swim.



1. Jackson jumped in the water to take a swim.



2. Samuel's older sister is his best friend.



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3. Benjamin and Jackson no longer play in the school band.



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The **complete predicate** is the part of the sentence that contains the **verb** and *tells something about the subject* such as what the subject does, has, or is.



## Examples:

1. Samantha studied for an hour to be ready for the  
*predicate*  
English test.

2. Madison's mother says that she should give some  
*predicate*  
of her toys away.

3. Our new puppy enjoys the safety of being in her  
*predicate*  
crate.



**Follow along as I identify the complete predicate from the following sentences.**

**Remember, the complete predicate is all of the words that tell what the subject does, has, is, or is like.**



1. Noah also likes to play baseball, soccer, and run track.



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soccer, and run track.



2. Leah just bought a new car to drive to work and classes.





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3. Avery sometimes goes to watch her younger brother play baseball.



3. Avery sometimes goes to watch  
her younger brother play baseball.



The **simple subject** is the *main noun(s) or pronoun(s)* in the complete subject part of the sentence.



## Examples:

The floor under the rug gets very dusty.

*simple  
subject*

Our little dog only weighs 8 pounds.

*simple  
subject*

Ryan and Benjamin are good at playing the drums.

*simple          simple  
subject        subject*

*(Note: Do not include the “and” when identifying a simple subject in a sentence with a compound subject\*)*



**Follow along as I identify the complete subjects and simple subjects of the following sentences. Remember, the complete subject is all of the words that tell what the sentence is about and the simple subject is the main noun or main pronoun in the complete subject.**



1. The company did not want to fire any of their employees.



1. The (company) did not want to fire any of their employees.





2. Jayden's friend, Jacob, plays games with him nearly every day.



2. Jayden's friend, (Jacob), plays games with him nearly every day.



3. Our cat often catches lizards in the backyard.



3. Our (cat) often catches lizards in  
the backyard.



4. Since her first day of kindergarten, Jordan has wanted to be a teacher.



4. Since her first day of kindergarten,  
(Jordan) has wanted to be a teacher.



5. Sometimes I go to bed early and wake up late to give myself time to catch up on my sleep.



5. Sometimes (I) go to bed early and wake up late to give myself time to catch up on my sleep.





A **simple predicate** is the *verb or verb phrase* in the complete predicate part of the sentence.



## Examples:

1. The floor under the rug gets very dusty.

*simple  
predicate*

2. Our little dog only weighs 8 pounds.

*simple  
predicate*

3. Ryan and Benjamin are good at playing the

*simple  
predicate*

drums.



**Follow along as I identify the complete predicates and the simple predicates of the following sentences. Remember, the complete predicate is all of the words that tell what the subject does, has, is, or is like and the simple predicate is the main verb or verb phrase in the complete predicate.**



1. It only took four months for David to get a promotion.



1. It only took four months for David to (get) a promotion.



2. Sarah did not know how long the movie would last.



2. Sarah (did) not (know) how long  
the movie would last.

Note: the word “not” is not  
considered part of the simple  
predicate.



3. Training was rigorous, but necessary to make sure he was ready.





3. Training (was) rigorous, but necessary to make sure he was ready.



4. The great thing about ice cream is that each flavor is unique.



4. The great thing about ice cream  
(is) that each flavor is unique.



5. Julie tried to peek to see where her sister was hiding.



5. Julie (tried) to peek to see where  
her sister was hiding.



# Identify the simple subject & predicate

- 1) Your younger brother is a doctor.
- 2) Ravi runs very fast.
- 3) The food smells very good.
- 4) The tall boy standing in the corner is our captain.
- 5) All the girls watched T.V. in the evening.
- 6) He is sitting in the corner.
- 7) All the new students are unhappy.
- 8) The board's decision has made us happy.
- 9) The prime minister has given us tax concession.
- 10) His father is a teacher.
- 11) Lions roar in the forest.
- 12) Every student sang in the party.
- 13) They have gone out for a dinner.
- 14) I bought a car yesterday.
- 15) She sings very well.

# Add a subject to form a sentence.

- \_\_\_\_\_ rises in the east.
- \_\_\_\_\_ am a teacher.
- \_\_\_\_\_ have won the match.
- \_\_\_\_\_ bark at strangers.
- \_\_\_\_\_ are playing cricket.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is very hot today.
- \_\_\_\_\_ are swimming fast.
- \_\_\_\_\_ gives us knowledge.
- \_\_\_\_\_ gives us light & life.
- \_\_\_\_\_ starts at 10 a.m.
- \_\_\_\_\_ have been living in this city for 10 years.
- \_\_\_\_\_ saw a movie yesterday.
- \_\_\_\_\_ had left before I reached there.
- \_\_\_\_\_ can speak English.
- \_\_\_\_\_ must obey the traffic rules.

# Add a predicate to complete the sentence

- 1) The sun \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) The rose \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) The door \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) India \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) Ravi \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) Sonu \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) Water \_\_\_\_\_
- 8) Cows \_\_\_\_\_
- 9) Children \_\_\_\_\_
- 10) The teacher \_\_\_\_\_
- 11) The doctor \_\_\_\_\_
- 12) Dogs \_\_\_\_\_
- 13) Ravi and Rakesh \_\_\_\_\_
- 14) Bread & butter \_\_\_\_\_
- 15) The boy in red shirt \_\_\_\_\_