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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

CLASS 7

SUBJECT AND PREDICATE SYNOPSIS:

Every complete sentence contains two parts: a subject and a predicate. The subject is what (or whom) the sentence is about, while the predicate tells us something about the subject. In the following sentences, the predicate is enclosed in braces ({}).

Judy {runs}.

Judy and her dog {run on the beach every morning}.

Kinds of subject

1. A subject can be a single word noun or pronoun.
2. A subject can be a phrase containing nouns, articles or modifiers.
3. A subject can be to or more nouns, pronouns or phrases that may be joined by a conjunction.

Spotting the Subject

Let us learn to identify subjects in different kinds of sentence:

1. Declarative sentence- in declarative sentence the subject appears before the verb
2. Interrogative sentence- with one verb, the subject appears after the verb. In interrogative sentence with two verbs the subject appears between the two verbs.
3. Imperative sentence- in imperative sentence the subject you is implied.
4. Exclamatory sentence- subject usually comes before the verb.

Kinds of predicate

1. A predicate can just be a single verb.
2. A predicate can be a phrase containing a verb in some tense person and number.
3. When the verb is an intransitive verb, the predicate can be a verb and its modifier or compliment.
4. When the verb is transitive the predicate can be a verb and its object.
5. When the verb is a transitive verb with two object the predicate consists of verb and its object, direct object and indirect object
6. A predicate can be to or more verbs or phrases that can be joined by conjunction

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SUBJECT AND PREDICATE:

EX1: Point out the subject and the predicate in each of the following sentences:

1. The dog loves the child.
2. Does the child love the dog?
3. The hunter caught the hare.
4. Where does the hare live in winter?
5. What a timid little fellow the hare is!
6. The vessel was a magnificent five-master.
7. Who commanded the vessel?
8. The girl plays the piano well.
9. How the people crowd the station!
10. Why are so many people gathered here?

Do exercise A from the end of the chapter.