

Class-8

Subject- English Language

Chapter- The Sentence

#### STUDY MATERIAL

The first chapter, 'The Sentence' helps us to define what a sentence is and introduces us to the different kinds of sentences. A sentence can take any one of the four forms namely, Statement; Question; Command and Exclamation.

Sentences that state facts, describe things or report events are called 'Statements'. They are also called 'Assertive' or 'Declarative' sentences. Statements can be Affirmative Statements or Negative Statements.

Examples:

Slow and steady wins the race – Affirmative Sentence

Never waste your time – Negative Sentence

Interchanging if sentences involve changing the sentences from one existing form to the other, keeping its meaning same. Here we have discussed 3 kinds of such interchanges namely,

- i) Affirmative to Negative and vice-versa
- ii) Interrogative to Assertive and vice-versa
- iii) Exclamatory to Assertive and vice-versa

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