Subjects and Predicates

The subject tells who or what the sentence is about. The predicate tells what the subject does, did, is doing, or will do. A complete sentence must have a subject and a predicate.

Examples:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Subject</th>
<th>Predicate</th>
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<td>Sharon</td>
<td>writes to her grandmother every week.</td>
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<td>The horse</td>
<td>ran around the track quickly.</td>
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<td>My mom’s car</td>
<td>is bright green.</td>
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<td>Trinity</td>
<td>will be here after lunch.</td>
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Directions: Circle the subject of each sentence. Underline the predicate.

1. My sister is a very happy person.
2. I wish we had more holidays in the year.
3. Laura is one of the nicest girls in our class.
4. Enzo is fun to have as a friend.
5. The rain nearly ruined our picnic!
6. My birthday present was exactly what I wanted.
7. Your bicycle is parked beside my skateboard.
8. The printer will need to be filled with paper before you use it.
9. Six dogs chased my cat home yesterday!
10. Anthony likes to read anything he can get his hands on.
11. Twelve students signed up for the dance committee.
12. Your teacher seems to be a reasonable person.
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Directions: Write subjects to complete the following sentences.

1. ________ went to school last Wednesday.

2. ________ did not understand the joke.

3. ________ barked so loudly that no one could sleep a wink.

4. ________ felt unhappy when the ball game was rained out.

5. ________ wonder what happened at the end of the book.

6. ________ jumped for joy when she won the contest.

Directions: Write predicates to complete the following sentences.

7. Everyone ________

8. Dogs ________

9. I ________

10. Justin ________

11. Jokes ________

12. Twelve people ________
Directions: The following sentences have errors in punctuation, capitalization, or both. The number in parentheses ( ) at the end of each sentence tells you how many errors it contains. Correct the errors by rewriting each sentence.

1. I saw mr. Johnson reading Stuart Little to his class. (2)

2. Do you like to sing “Take me Out to The Ballgame”? (2)

3. He recited the poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening to Miss. Simpson’s class. (2)

4. Bananas, and oranges are among Dr Wu’s favorite fruits. (2)

5. My grandpa used to sing me the song “You Are my Sunshine. (2)

6. Owen & Mzee is a wonderful book about a baby hippo and a giant turtle who became friends. (1)

7. Alvin Ho: Allergic To Camping Hiking and other natural Disasters is a really funny book. (5)

8. Peanut butter, jelly, and bread are Miss. Lee’s favorite treats. (1)
Writing: Punctuation

Directions: In the paragraphs below, use periods, question marks, or exclamation marks to show where one sentence ends and the next begins. Underline the first letter of each new sentence to show which letters should be capitalized.

Example: My sister accused me of not helping her rake the leaves. That's silly! I helped at least a hundred times.

1. I always tie on my fishing line when it moves up and down, I know a fish is there after waiting a minute or two, I pull up the fish it's fun

2. I tried putting lemon juice on my freckles to make them go away did you ever do that it didn't work my skin just got sticky now, I'm slowly getting used to my freckles

3. once, I had an accident on my bike I was on my way home from school what do you think happened my wheel slipped in the loose dirt at the side of the road my bike slid into the road

4. one night, I dreamed I lived in a castle in my dream, I was the king or maybe the queen everyone listened to my commands then, Mom woke me up for school I tried commanding her to let me sleep it didn't work

5. what's your favorite holiday Christmas is mine for months before Christmas, I save my money, so I can give a present to everyone in my family last year, I gave my big sister earrings they cost me five dollars

6. my dad does exercises every night to make his stomach flat he says he doesn't want to grow old I think it's too late don't tell him I said that