

Subject and Predicate

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Warm-up



Identify the subject and the predicate in these sentences.

1. The baby sleeps in its crib.
2. The man loves riding a horse.
3. Jaya is very hard-working.
4. The dog loves its master.
5. The sun was shining brightly.
6. Ravi is a good boy.
7. Mohan likes to play cricket.
8. The deer runs very fast.
9. Trees shed their leaves in winter.



The part of the sentence that tells us who or what the sentence is about is called the **subject**. The subject performs the action denoted by the verb. The rest of the sentence is called the **predicate**. The predicate contains the verb.

A. Draw a line from each subject to its predicate.

My sister

The wind

congratulated
the students

likes to dance

blew all the
leaves away

wagged its tail

The Principal

The dog

B. Match the subject to the predicate.

Subject	Predicate
1. The shops	a. was shouting and throwing stones.
2. The students	b. crashed against the tree.
3. The crowd	c. had many rooms in it.
4. The car	d. tells us about a prince and a princess.
5. The house	e. was made of teak wood.
6. The furniture	f. works very hard.
7. My mother	g. were selling beautiful clothes.
8. The book	h. were excited about the school trip.



- ◆ In most sentences, the subject usually comes before the verb. For example,
 - You have broken my pencil.
 - I am going to the US next month.
 - My coat is red.

But in some sentences, the subject does not come before the verb.

- ◆ In imperative sentences, the subject is implied*. For example,
 - Please, (you) sit down.
 - (You) Don't make a noise.
- ◆ In exclamatory sentences, the subject comes before the verb. For example,
 - What a great singer she is!
 - What an awful dream I had last night!
- ◆ In interrogative sentences, the subject comes after the verb. For example,
 - Are you ready to go?
 - Where are the cupcakes?

C. Divide these sentences into subject and predicate. Remember, some sentences do not have a subject.

1. Rajasthan/is a beautiful state.
2. I love to listen to music.
3. We celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on Christmas Day.

4. The speeding truck knocked down the old man.
5. They played football in the rain.
6. India has won eight gold medals in hockey at the Olympics.
7. A chameleon is a lizard that can change its colour.
8. Who is the President of India?
9. Police dogs can track down criminals.
10. Switch the lights off.



D. Identify the subject in each of these sentences.

1. Can I call you after lunch?
2. Did you do your homework?
3. Would you like some ice cream?
4. Stop!
5. Don't walk on the grass.
6. Revathi is going to the mall.
7. I am tired.
8. Come here at once!
9. Will Sandy go with you?
10. Tell Naveen I'm waiting here.
11. Stand on your head.
12. How talented these children are!
13. Does the dog love its master?
14. The scientists are studying these whales.
15. What a splendid boat it is!

