

KS3 English Quiz - Sentences (Subject and Object) 01 (Questions)

All sentences contain a subject and a verb; some sentences contain objects, too. In the sentence, "The driver drove the bus", the subject is "the driver" and the object is "the bus". The subject and the verb go together: "the driver drove". The bus, being the object, is not **driving**, but **being driven**. In simple sentences it is very easy to tell which is the subject and which is the object, even though both are nouns. For instance, in the sentence "I ate ice cream", "I" am the subject doing the verb (ate) and "ice cream" is the object, being eaten.

What about this sentence: "The organisation gave the award to the best dancer"? Who is giving? The "organisation", so this is the subject. But which is the object, the "award" or the "best dancer"? The answer is both! The "award" is the direct object because the organisation is acting upon it directly by giving it. The "best dancer" is the indirect object, being the person the award is given to. You can often tell a direct object because of the need for an intervening word like "to" or "with".

If we swapped words around, we could make the dancer the subject: "The best dancer received an award from the organisation". This is known as a passive construction because the subject is not active, but receiving the action of another. Try the quiz on Verbs (Active and Passive Voice) for more practice with this.

See if you can spot which is which in this quiz on the subject...and object!

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The dog jumps over **THE FENCE**.

- Object
- Preposition
- Subject
- Verb

2. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

THE DOG jumps over the fence.

- Object
- Preposition
- Subject
- Verb

3. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

The dog **JUMPS** over the fence.

- Object
- Preposition
- Subject
- Verb

4. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

The team played in **THE PARK**.

- Object
- Preposition
- Subject
- Verb

5. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

THE TEAM played in the park.

- Object
- Preposition
- Subject
- Verb

6. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

THE WOMAN drinks coffee.

- Object
- Preposition
- Subject
- Verb

7. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

The woman drinks **COFFEE**.

- Object
- Preposition
- Subject
- Verb

8. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

The shop sells **SHOES**.

- Object
- Preposition
- Subject
- Verb

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THE SHOP sells shoes.

- Object
- Preposition
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10. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

The gardener grows **FLOWERS**.

- Object
- Preposition
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"The fence" is the object

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"The dog" is the subject governing the verb

3. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

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The subject, "the dog", is doing the verb, "jumps"

4. Choose the function of the capitalised word in the following sentence.

The team played in THE PARK.

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"The park" is an object. It is being acted upon in some way (played) by the subject (the team)

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"The team" (subject) carries out the verb "played"

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"The woman" (subject) does the verb: "drinks"

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"Coffee", the object, receives the action of the verb, "drinks". If the sentence were rearranged into a passive construction, the coffee would become the subject: "the coffee was drunk by the woman". Such a construction would place more emphasis on the coffee than on the person who drank it

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"Shoes", the object of the sentence, would answer the question, "What does the shop sell?"

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"The shop" carries out the action, "sells". We don't think of shops as capable of action, but this becomes possible in grammatical terms!

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The gardener grows FLOWERS.

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"Flowers" are the recipient of the action in this sentence