

Subject & Predicate

I can define & identify **complete**, **simple**, and **compound** subjects/predicates.

What is a subject?

The subject of a sentence is the person or thing that DOES THE ACTION.

In most sentences (that are active voice), the subject appears early in the sentence.

The puppy jumped into the car.

What is a predicate?

The predicate is: “the rest” of the sentence - the parts that explain **what the subject is doing!**

- The verb
- The object of the sentence (if there is one)
- Other phrases and clauses (like descriptive info)

The puppy jumped into the car.

Simple Subject

The **ONE WORD** that represents the subject: the person's name, the subject pronoun, or the "main" noun of the sentence.

Ignore any articles (a, an, the), adjectives (describing words), or predicate pieces!

Simple subject examples:

The **puppy** jumped into the car.

A broken **iPad** was on the ground.

The **Wifi** is strong here.

He hit his head and got a concussion.

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Simple Predicate

The **MAIN VERB** of the sentence... the one or two words that say what the subject is doing!

- **Action verb**: jumped, dancing, sing, broke...
- **“Being” verbs**: is, am, are, was, were, being, been...
- **Helping verbs**: have, has, had, could, should, would, can, will...

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Complete Subject or Predicate

The simple subject (or predicate) **AND** any other...

- articles
- adjectives
- prepositional phrases
- other clauses/phrases

Complete subjects & objects:

The puppy jumped into the car.

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Compound Subject/ Predicate

Anytime there is TWO subjects or TWO predicates within ONE sentence.

Compound subject or predicate examples...

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~~A broken iPad was on the ground.~~

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Review

- Simple subject or predicate: The **puppy** jumped into the car.
- Complete subject or predicate: **The puppy** jumped into the car.
- Compound subject or predicate: **The puppy and I** jumped into the car and drove home.

Thank you for watching!