



Recognizing Sentence

- 1. Defining sentences. There are 2 possible criteria.
 - Functional definition
 - Mechanical/textual definition

Defining Sentences

Functional definition

Declarative:

Interrogative:

Imperative:

Exclamation:

Sky diving is dangerous.

Is sky diving dangerous?

Be careful.

How I love sky diving!

Defining sentences

Mechanical/textual definition:

- Starting with a capital letter.
- Finishing with a period (.), question mark (?) or exclamation mark (!)

Exercise 1.1

Write "S" for the sentence and "NS" for the non sentence.

- 1. Chanthy is brushing her teeth.
- 2. My son ate out of the sugar bowl.
- 3. Light at night
- 4. Have a desk in that room
- 5. The standard image of the family business
- 6. I have always wanted
- 7. In the last ten years,
-8. Sorry about that

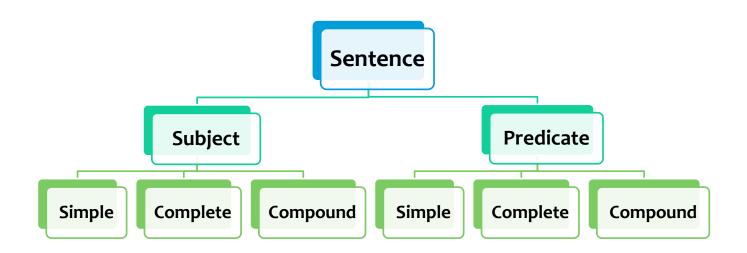
Recognizing subjects and predicates

Sentence

Subject

Predicate

Recognizing subjects and predicates



Sentences with simple subject.

- * The telephone rang.
- * The telephone is red.
- * The telephone was being connected.

Sentences with complete subjects.

- * The red telephone rang.
- * The telephone in the next room rang.

Sentences with compound subject

- The telephone and doorbell rang.
- * The boy and the girl are playing in the playground

Sentences with simple predicates

- *The telephone rang.
- * The lawyer <u>listened</u>.

Sentences with complete predicates

- The telephone rang loudly.
- The lawyer listened carefully.

Sentences with compound predicates.

- The telephone rang only once and stopped.
- The lawyer listened and wrote.

Exercise 1.2

Identifying subjects and predicates.

- 1. Family businesses generate 60 percent of U.S. gross nation product.
- 2. Families own or control more than three quarters of American business.
- 3. These businesses employ 40 million people.
- 4. Family firms have grown more rapidly than nonfamily firms in recent year.
- 5. Some graduate programs in the business administration offer family studies.