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PARTS OF SPEECH

(Adjectives and Adverbs)

SUBJECT AND OBJECT OF A SENTENCE

- The subject of a sentence is usually a noun or a pronoun.
- It answers the question word ‘who’ or the ‘doer’ of the action.

Riyad plays *cricket* every Sunday.

Ram killed *Raavan*.

- The object of a sentence is usually a noun or a pronoun.
- It is a word/ group of words that receive the action of the subject.
- It answers the question ‘what’.

Find the subject and object in the following sentences.

- a) I want a glass of water.
- b) He loves his family dearly.
- c) They ruined the house.

ADJECTIVES

- An adjective describes/gives information about a noun or a pronoun.

She drives an amazing, big, red, sports car. (Subject : She & Object: Car)

- Order of adjectives : Opinion, size, colour, type
- Q: What is your opinion about the car? A: Amazing
- Q: What size is the car? A: Big
- Q: What colour is the car? A: Red
- Q: What type of car? A: Sports

Find the adjective(s) in the following sentences:

- a. Worst fellow!
- b. Beautiful sunrise!
- c. It was a majestic building with narrow corridors.
- d. That is a huge, black, African Elephant.
- e. She is a very sweet girl.
- f. That is a fragrant sweet.
- g. He is a tall handsome boy.
- h. I came from Delhi.
- i. He sings well.
- j. Sarah has a beautiful yellow frock.
- k. He was thin, pale and yellow.

ADVERBS

- Words that give information about verbs, adjectives and adverbs.
- Adverbs usually answer the question when, why, how, in what way etc.

Yesterday evening, we walked somewhat slowly in a very beautiful garden.

- Yesterday evening – walked (v)
- Slowly – walked (v)
- Somewhat – slowly (adv)
- Very – beautiful (adjective)

Find the adverb(s) in the following sentences:

- a. She sings well.
- b. The coffee is very hot.
- c. Vani is an extremely good singer.
- d. It is too hot today.
- e. She speaks foreign languages fluently.
- f. The kid is now happy.
- g. He rides his vehicle very carefully.
- h. I visit my friend daily.
- i. He will return immediately.
- j. She runs very fast.
- k. Run quickly.