



# PATTERNS OF ENGLISH

# Sentence components



# Subject

Subject can be	Example
<b>Noun</b>	Speech is silver but Silence is gold.
<b>Pronoun</b>	She is intelligent but he is stupid. Who is there?
<b>Adjective</b> used as a noun	The rich must help the poor.
<b>Infinitive</b>	To succeed in an examination is not an easy thing.
<b>Gerund</b>	Swimming is a good sport.
<b>Phrase</b>	How to do that is difficult to decide.
<b>Clause</b>	What you said is true.

# Direct Object

Direct object can be	Example
<b>Noun</b>	He loves <b>his house</b> .
<b>Pronoun</b>	These two sisters love <b>each other</b> .
<b>Adjective</b> used as a noun	The rich must help <b>the poor</b> .
<b>Infinitive</b>	I want <b>to succeed</b> in an examination.
<b>Gerund</b>	She likes <b>swimming</b> .
<b>Phrase</b>	I don't know <b>how to do that</b> .
<b>Clause</b>	I don't believe in <b>what you said</b> .

Similar to Subject

# Indirect Object

Indirect object can be	Example
<b>Noun</b>	He gave his daughter <b>a house</b> .
<b>Pronoun</b>	Did you buy <b>her</b> a present?
<b>Adjective used as a noun</b>	The law gives <b>the rich</b> a lot of benefits.
<b>Gerund</b>	They gave Mary's <b>acting</b> credit for the success of the play.
<b>Phrase</b>	Give <b>the first to come</b> the best tickets.
<b>Clause</b>	Give <b>whoever comes first</b> the best tickets.



Almost similar to  
Direct Object

# Prepositional Object

Prepositional object can be	Example
<b>Noun</b>	He threw the ball <u>through</u> the window.
<b>Pronoun</b>	I heard that <u>from</u> him.
<b>Adjective used as a noun</b>	The law is <u>of</u> the rich, <u>by</u> the rich, and <u>for</u> the rich.
<b>Gerund</b>	He looks at them <u>without</u> speaking anything.
<b>Phrase</b>	Fly <u>through</u> the first to come.
<b>Clause</b>	We are looking forward <u>to</u> what you promised.

Similar to Indirect Object

# Complement

Complement can be	Example
<b>Noun</b>	They elected him <b>president</b> .
<b>Pronoun</b>	It is <b>mine</b> .
<b>Adjective</b> used as a noun	The poor becomes <b>the rich</b> .
<b>Adjective</b>	Her husband has made her <b>happy</b> .
<b>Participle</b>	He found her <b>lying</b> near his wife. He made her <b>tired</b> .
<b>Infinitive</b>	She made me <b>laugh</b> . I ask him <b>to open</b> it.
<b>Gerund</b>	Living is <b>struggling</b> .
<b>Phrase</b>	I became <b>the last to leave</b> .
<b>Clause</b>	They are <b>what you need</b> .

# Adjunct

Adjunct can be	Example
<b>Noun</b>	I will visit him <b>next year</b> . <b>Last night</b> , no one came.
<b>Adverb</b>	I like that <b>very much</b> . <b>Fortunately</b> , he did not show up.
<b>Participle</b>	<b>Frankly speaking</b> , he is not reliable.
<b>Infinitive</b>	<b>To be frank</b> , that car is not nice.
<b>Prepositional phrase</b> <div>When it is not optional, it is called <i>Verb Complement</i>.</div>	There was talking <b>in the next room</b> . He has been waiting <b>for more than 3 days</b> .
<b>Clause</b>	I waited <b>until you came</b> .



# 5 basic sentence patterns

- S + V
- S + V + C
- S + V + O
- S + V + iO + dO
- S + V + O + C

- The sun rises.
- The sun rises in the east.
- The sun is rising.
- The sun is rising higher and higher.

- I am tall.
- I am the tallest in my class.
- I am a doctor.
- I am a doctor in this hospital.

- He **kicks** the dog.
- He **kicks** the dog **in its leg**.
- He **kicks** the dog **harder and harder**.
- Tom **loves** Mary.
- Big Tom **loves** Little Mary.
- Big Tom **really loves** Little Mary.
- Big Tom **loves** Little Mary **until his last breath**.

S + V + iO + dO

- She gives me a book.
- She gives me a very heavy book.
- Last night, she gave me a very heavy book.
- Last night, she gently gave me a very heavy book.
- She gives a book to me.
- She gently gives a book to me.

S + V + O + C

- He makes me smile.
- He makes me smile a lot.
- Everyday, he makes me smile a lot.
- Everyday, that old man makes me smile a lot.
- Everyday, that old man can make the little girl smile happily a lot.

# Small tests

- She buys me a book.
- Marilyn hates him for 20 years.
- Who wants to buy this ugly, expensive dog?
- I want a bicycle.
- I tried to go as fast as possible.
- I fly as high as I can.
- The huge plane flies above the highest mountain.

# Small tests

- The spiderman falls down from a tree.
- Everyone is running out of the firing building.
- Do not throw it away!
- Show me the other side of the coin!
- Who can tell me why?
- Who told that sad story this morning in front of the school?
- What did you do to escape from the cave?



# Any question?



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