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Command or Request?

Imperative Sentences in English

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Things to notice in a sentence ...

- Only sentences have full stops.
- Imperative sentences have subjects (you).
- All sentences will have subjects and predicates.
- Order of words in an English sentence
 - [[subject] [[verb object] adverbs]]
- Order of words in a sentence in Hindi or any other Indian languages
 - [[subject] [adverbs [[object verb]]]

Order of words (place of a verb) in a sentence:

- English (**verb** medial):
 - Raju **likes** pizza from the pizza hut.
- Hindi (**verb** final)
 - Raju ko pizza hut meN pizza **pasand hai**.

Phrases to sentences ...

- [The [student [of English]]] is working in a printing press.
- [Students [from Chennai]] love music.
- [The [student [of English]] [from Chennai]] works hard in the institute.
- The student [of English] [from Chennai] [with long hair] came to meet with me yesterday.

Command or request?

- Please (you) sit down.
- (You) get up.
- Come home tomorrow.
- Please give me a glass of water.
- Please bring a pen for me.

Subject in imperative sentences

- (You) come here.
- (You) sit down.
- (You) drink a glass of water.

Hindi Imperative Sentences

- (aap) baith-**ie** (You) please sit.
- (aap) andar aa-**ie** (You) please come in.
- (**tum**) baith-**o** (You) sit.
- (tum) andar aa-**o** (You) come in.

Tamil Imperative Sentences

- ningaa pongaa (You) please go.
- nii po (You) go.
- ningaa waangaa (You) please come.
- nii waa (You) come.

Malayalam Imperative Sentences

- ni-ngal poiikollu (You) please go.
- nii po (You) go.
- ningal wannukollu (You) please come.
- nii waa (You) come.