

# SVC (Subject Complement)

**Grammar > Beginner 3** 



## Exercise 1 – Learning

In the previous lesson, we studied the first two parts of a basic **SVC** sentence: **the subject** and **the verb**. In this lesson, we will cover the third part.

#### **Subject Complement**

The subject complement is the last part of the sentence "I am **a cook**". Subject complements provide information about the subject.

These are the kinds of subject complements we can put after the verb 'be':

#### 1. Nouns

- We are **students**.
- They are **doctors**.
- You are **children**.
- It is **a dog**.



### 2. Adjectives

- They are **happy**.
- He is **sick**.
- We are **American**.
- It is **red**.

#### 3. Prepositional phrases (phrases that include prepositions such as at/in/on)

- She is at home.
- The concert is **in the park**.
- The apple is **on the table**.



## Exercise 2 – Multiple Choice

Determine if the subject complement in bold is an adjective, a noun, or a prepositional phrase.

- 1. We are **tired**.
- 2. You are **smart**.
- 3. She is **French**.
- 4. He is an athlete.
- 5. The movie is **in the afternoon**.
- 6. It is **a box**.
- 7. The phone is **on the desk**.
- 8. Lisa is a manager.



#### **Exercise 3 – Sentence Construction**

Use what you learned in class to create sentences with your tutor.

**Example:** cars, on the road.  $\rightarrow$  The cars are on the road.

#### **Content:**

- 1. man, tall.
- 2. plane, in the sky.
- 3. cat, black and white.
- 4. I, a cook.
- 5. woman, a waitress.
- 6. clothes, on the couch.