

3. Sentences

A combination of words, that makes complete sense, is called a sentence. According to expressions in our everyday life, sentences are of 4 kinds.

KINDS OF SENTENCES

- **Affirmative (or) Assertive Sentences:** The sentences, that are deemed to be the facts expressed by speaker, are called affirmative or assertive sentences. These are also called statements (or) declarations.

Example:

- Children are playing in play ground. (Positive)
- It did not rain today. (negative)

- **Interrogative Sentences:** The sentences, that are used to seek information, are called interrogative sentences. These are popularly known as questions.

Example:

- Are the children swimming in the village tank?
- Where did you buy these new clothes?

- **Imperative Sentences:** The sentences that express commands, orders, requests, entreaties & precepts are called imperative sentences.

Example:

- Halt or fire (command)
- Send him away. (order)
- Please lend me your notes for a few hours. (request)
- Save me, Save me (entreaty)
- Beware of dogs. (precept)

- **Exclamatory Sentences:** The sentences that are used to express sudden feelings of mind such as surprise, joy or sorrow are called exclamatory sentences.

Example:

- How beautiful the Taj Mahal is!
- What an intelligent student Kiran is!