

READING AND WRITING
10TH GRADE

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TRANSITIVE AND INTRANSITIVE VERBS

INDICATOR: DISTINGUISHES TRANSITIVE AND
INTRANSITIVE VERBS

VERBS CAN BE GROUPED INTO 2

To group them we have to take into account if the sentence has an object.

The object is a noun that receives the action from the verb.

Example: I broke my phone

In this case, the verb is broke and "my phone" would be the object of the sentence.



VERBS CAN BE GROUPED INTO 2 GROUPS



Transitive verbs

- All Transitive verbs NEED an object.
- Some transitive verbs can have 2 objects.



Intransitive verbs

- Intransitive verbs involve a subject.
- Intransitive verbs DO NOT have an object



LET'S SEE SOME EXAMPLES

TRANSITIVE VERBS

Example 1

John sells newspapers

Verb: sells
Object: Newspapers

*What does John sell?
Newspapers

Example 2

The reporter wrote the article.

Verb: Wrote
Object: The article

*What did the reporter write?
The article

Notice:

.Verbs can be in any tense

.Objects can be nouns or gerunds

.To identify the object you ask the verb "What?"

EXERCISE



Read the following sentences carefully.
Write in the box the verb (in the tense it
is written) and the object of the
sentence.

VERB

OBJECT

1. Alex sent a post card from Argentina.
2. She left the keys on the table.
3. Julia bought a present for her mom.
4. I changed my Facebook password.
5. Susan baked a cake for her sister's wedding.
6. My cat caught a big grey mouse.
7. The basketball team won, they scored 100 points.



INTRANSITIVE VERBS

Example 1

The train arrives at 2 pm.

Verb: arrives
Object: none

*At 2 p.m (prepositional phrase)

Example 2

Sorry, but I have to leave now.

Verb: leave
Object: none

*now (adverb)

Notice:

.Verbs can be in any tense

.Intransitive verbs **DO NOT** have objects

.Often intransitive verbs are followed by prepositional phrases or an adverb.

EXERCISE



Read the following sentences carefully.
Type in the verb (in the tense presented)
in the box and then write an **I** next to
each sentence with an **intransitive** verb.

VERB

VERB TYPE

1. Leandro lives in the east side of the city.
2. The bus leaves early every morning.
3. My daughter always reads before going to bed.
4. She was crying all day.
5. I ate all the cherries that were in the fridge.
6. Lili doesn't drink chocolate milk.
7. The poor dog slept in the street.

