



## Compound Subjects

A compound subject has two or more nouns or pronouns with the same predicate. The conjunction *and* joins the subjects. A compound subject agrees in number with the verb.

Blizzards and hurricanes cause damage.

compound subject: nouns joined by *and*

plural verb form



A. Write *compound* or *not compound* to describe the subject in each sentence.

1. Rain and snow are forms of precipitation.
2. Wet weather can also include sleet or hail.
3. A blustery wind is noisy and stormy.
4. Cirrus clouds and cumulus clouds usually mean fair weather.
5. Squalls and gales are two kinds of wind storms.
6. Another name for a cyclone is a typhoon.
7. Sunny days can bring heat and humidity.

B. Combine the subjects in these sentences to make one new sentence with a compound subject.

8. Fog covered the land. Mist covered the land.

9. Santa Ana winds are hot. Sirocco winds are hot.

10. Umbrellas keep people dry. Raincoats keep people dry.

# Compound Predicates

A compound predicate has two verbs with the same subject. The conjunction *and* joins the verbs. The verbs in a compound predicate are the same tense.

The forester looked and listened. He took pictures and made notes.

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compound predicates with verbs in the past tense joined by *and*

**A.** Write *compound* or *not compound* to describe the predicate in each sentence.

1. Birds called and sang in the woods.

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2. A squirrel ran up a tree and chattered at Judd.

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3. A slight breeze rose, and the leaves rustled.

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4. Judd and his assistant knew many of the birdcalls.

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5. One tree looked dry and unhealthy.

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6. Insects hummed and buzzed among the leaves.

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**B.** Combine the predicates in these sentences to make one new sentence with a compound predicate.

7. Judd observed invasive species. He noted invasive species.

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8. Birds landed on trees. Birds perched on trees.

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9. Trees provide shade for people. Trees make good homes for animals.

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10. A chipmunk scurried by. It looked at Judd.

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