

## Simple Subject

**Summary** \* The simple subject is the main word in the complete subject. In your writing choose your subjects carefully to make your meaning clear.

**A.** Write the simple subject of each sentence.

1. You can learn the wind's direction from drifting smoke. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Tall trees sway in the wind, too. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Some people raise a wet finger in the air. \_\_\_\_\_
4. The cool side of the finger points to the wind's direction. \_\_\_\_\_
5. A simple study of the wind can tell us about the weather. \_\_\_\_\_

**B.** The complete subject is underlined. Write the simple subject.

6. The best natural weather predictors are clouds. \_\_\_\_\_
7. The most common rainmakers are nimbostratus clouds. \_\_\_\_\_
8. These thick gray clouds blot out the sun completely. \_\_\_\_\_
9. The low-lying layers are often a sign of heavy rain. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Those fluffy white piles in the sky are cumulus clouds. \_\_\_\_\_
11. The average person considers them harmless. \_\_\_\_\_
12. A wise camper watches cumulus clouds carefully, though. \_\_\_\_\_
13. Gentle cumulus clouds can swell quickly into cumulonimbus clouds. \_\_\_\_\_
14. These threatening thunderheads bring rain and lightning. \_\_\_\_\_
15. Dangerous tornadoes can develop from some storm clouds. \_\_\_\_\_