

Simple Subjects

RULES

The **simple subject** is the main word in the complete subject.

You know that every sentence has two parts—a subject and a predicate. The complete subject is all the words in the subject part of a sentence. The simple subject tells exactly who or what the sentence is about. The simple subject in each sentence below is underlined.

Complete Subject **Many people**
This city in Texas

simple subject **people**
Texas

Complete Predicate **lives in Austin.**

is a fun place to visit.

Guided Practice

The complete subject in each sentence is underlined. Name the simple subject.

EXAMPLE: English settlers established Williamsburg in 1633.

Simple subject: **settlers**

1. Many visitors come to Williamsburg each year.

2. We started our tour on Duke of Gloucester Street.

3. Beautiful old homes line this main street.

4. The capitol building stands at the end of the street.

5. A guide in a colonial dress took us through



More Practice

A. The complete subject in each sentence is underlined. Write the simple subject.

6. Our tour guide took us to some of the shops after lunch. _____
7. The wig shop had wigs for women and men. _____
8. We saw a loom in a weaver's shop. _____
9. The bootmaker made shoes with square toes. _____
10. The candle-dipping demonstration thrilled us all. _____

B. Write the simple subject in each sentence.

11. Colonial children played marbles, tag, and hopscotch. _____
12. Our guide showed us how to play a game called "bowls." _____
13. 10. A large, gray rock fell on my car. _____
14. My mother photographed the glassmaker. _____
15. We had such a great time at Williamsburg! _____
16. A dog with brown and white spots ran by my bus today. _____
17. . Owen's little brother wants to play basketball with him. _____
18. . The lamp on the old table is very dusty. _____
19. A big, green plant was found on our front porch. _____
20. The tall, strong tree looks perfect in our yard. _____