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Complete each simple sentence below by adding a subject or a predicate.

1. My friend Mathew \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ cooks breakfast for us every morning.
3. We can play \_\_\_\_\_.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ the legos in the box.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ built a tree house for my sister and me.
6. Penguins are \_\_\_\_\_.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ live near the water.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ showed me how to tie my shoe.
9. I love to \_\_\_\_\_.
10. We want to go \_\_\_\_\_.
11. Lucas \_\_\_\_\_.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ at the school.
13. Hot chocolate \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Amanda, Justin and Taylor got \_\_\_\_\_.

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Match the boxes. If it's a sentence choose "sentence" if it is not a sentence choose "not a sentence".

Allison picked apples in the yard and made a pie. •

• not a sentence

My grandparents and cousins. •

• sentence

We ate turkey and potatoes for Christmas dinner. •

• sentence

Summer fun. •

• sentence

My mom's apple pie. •

• not a sentence

Sarah got lost in the city last weekend. •

• not a sentence

I made my lunch yesterday. •

• not a sentence

Cute little dogs •

• sentence

## Identifying parts of a sentence

💎 A sentence needs two parts, a subject, and a predicate, to express a complete thought. The subject part tells whom or what the sentence is about. The predicate part tells what the subject is or does.

Example:

The newspaper <i>subject part</i>	is closed today. <i>predicate part</i>
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My friends <i>subject part</i>	like to go shopping. <i>predicate part</i>
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Read each sentence. Choose whether the underlined words are the subject or the predicate.

- 1.- Grandma talked happily to the seabirds.      subject    predicate
- 2.- The seabirds squawked as they divided.      subject    predicate
- 3.- The ants make nests under the ground.      subject    predicate
- 4.- Jane helps her mom cleaning the house.      subject    predicate
- 5.- Jill puts the duck in the tub.      subject    predicate
- 6.- Spiders make webs to catch insects.      subject    predicate
- 7.- The pigs play in the mud.      subject    predicate
- 8.- May, June and July are hot months of the year.      subject    predicate
- 9.- Kate will rush in the parade.      subject    predicate
- 10.- We watched the colorful creatures swim through the dark water.      subject    predicate
- 11.- Jennifer smiled at the students in her class.      subject    predicate

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Underline the subject. Circle the predicate

- 1.- My brother and sister want to be dentists one day.
- 2.- I plan to graduate from high school and attend college.
- 3.- The teachers and the principals are having meeting in the library after school today.
- 4.- The man in blue and the woman in red are both excellent athletes.
- 5.- My aunt and uncle cook dinner, walk the dog, and watch television every night.
- 6.- Running and walking are both excellent forms of exercise.
- 7.- This coach and that chair will be sold at the yard sale.
- 8.- The fence and the gate need to be repaired.
- 9.- The policeman and the firefighter eat and work together.
- 10.- The basketball team and the baseball team attend training and participate in games.
- 11.- I am going to the store to buy a pizza after school today.
- 12.- Mary and John watched this movie last week.