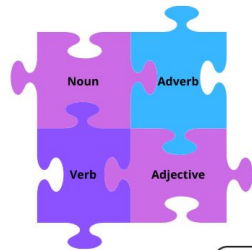


ENGLISH SENTENCE - LINKING AND TRANSITIVE VERBS



English Sentence - Linking and Transitive Verbs

We learned that an English sentence has a subject and a verb with an object. However, it's not quite that simple. There are sentences that can be made without an object, or even more than one object. In this lesson we will take a look the different types in detail.

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We will focus on 3 different types of sentences. The sentence is different due to the verb. The 3 types of verbs are:

Transitive verb (monotransitive and ditransitive)

Intransitive verb

Linking verb

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Transitive verbs are the sentences we began talking about. These are the sentences that have an object. There are two types of transitive verb sentences.

Monotransitive sentences:

Subject + Verb + Object

Ditransitive sentences:

Subject + Verb + Indirect Object + Direct Object

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Monotransitive sentences:

Subject + Verb + Object

Jeff kicked the ball

Ditransitive sentences:

Subject + Verb + Indirect Object + Direct Object

Jeff gave Dan the cake.

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Direct objects are the nouns or pronouns receiving the action, while the **indirect objects** are the nouns or pronouns affected by the action. **Indirect objects** are the recipients of the **direct objects**. An indirect object answers the question of to whom, for whom, or for what.

Subject + Verb + Indirect Object + Direct Object

Jeff gave Dan the cake.

Max pitched Alice the baseball.

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Intransitive verbs have no real object. Their action is not transferred from the subject to an object.

Intransitive sentences:

Subject + Verb + (Prepositional Phrase)

She cried.

She cried (at home).

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We can follow intransitive verbs with other words telling us *how*, *where* or *when*, but it isn't really the object:

He slept after dinner.

Our car blew up down the street.

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Linking verbs link two parts of a sentence. They link the subject to a noun or adjective called the subject complement.

Subject + Verb + Subject Complement

Eric is a doctor.