

SPaG activity

WHAT IS THE SUBJECT?

○ In a sentence, the subject is the person, animal or thing that does the verb:

- Alyssa is eating a banana. (Who is eating?)
- The cat is drinking milk. (Who is drinking?)
- The phone is ringing. (What is ringing?)

NOTE: The subject comes before the verb

Subject Verb

Jennifer walked to the store.

Subject Verb

You were a great singer.

Subject Verb

After lunch, I will call my mother.

Subject Verb

Mosquito bites itch.

Watch the study zone clips and have a go at highlighting the subject and underlining verbs

<https://www.studyzone.tv/lessonID262-I-understand-what-the-subject-of-a-sentence-is>

<https://www.studyzone.tv/lessonID273-I-know-what-makes-up-a-sentence>

Identify the subject & verb in each of the sentences below:

Subject

verb

1. Year 5 are an amazing year group!
2. Miss Harrison chased Mr Darby down the corridor.
3. Sophie sang a song beautifully at school.
4. Her voice was incredible
5. Joshua smiled at his little sister
6. Emma was happy.
7. Her friends were pleased she earnt a house point.
8. Jennifer raced around the playground but then she fell over.
9. In the morning, Craig cycled to school.
10. Because of the storm, school was closed.

Use this knowledge of identifying a subject and verb to write a descriptive paragraph about the storm. You MUST use full stops and capital letters correctly

Challenge: Can you include:

- compound sentences (sentences joined with and, but or and so e.g. The wind howled and the rain poured)
- complex sentences (a main clause joined to a subordinate clause that begins with a subordinate conjunction e.g. because, if, when, as, whilst e.g. whilst the storm raged outside, the children were safe in their houses)
- relative clauses (a subordinate clause began with a relative pronoun- use who for people, which and that for objects e.g. The shed, which normally stood in the garden, sailed over the houses.)
- possessive apostrophes (e.g. leaves blew over the neighbour's house)
- fronted adverbials (e.g. Feeling worried, she peaked outside the curtain to see the rain lashing down)





Word/phrase bank for support

howling wind billowing wind howled billowed

Clouds scudded across the sky thick black clouds

clouds gathered dangerous electricity

sparked crackled electrified rain lashed down downpour

torrential rain raging sea powerful uncontrollable waves

rain droplets trees bent double thundered illuminated

defenceless birds battling the wind submerged engulfed

battered the colossal waves battered/submerged/engulfed the coast