**Basic Sentence Parts and Patterns**

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|  | **Type** | **Example** | **Diagram** |
| 1 | **Simple subject and predicate** | Samson slept. |  |
| 2 | **Understood subject (for commands, directives)** | Sit! |  |
| 3 | **Questions** | Where are you going? |  |
| What were you reading this morning? | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_quest2.gif |
| Whose bike were you using? | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_quest3.gif |
| May I postpone this assignment? | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_quest4.gif |
| 4 | **Compound predicate** | The cat howled and scratched ferociously. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram3.gif |
| 5 | **Compound subject and compound predicate** | Juanita and Celso worked hard and then rested. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram4.gif |
| 6 | **Three subjects** | Juanita, Federica, and Celso are working. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram5.gif |
| 7 | **Direct object** | Tashonda sent e-mail. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram6.gif |
| 8 | **Compound direct objects** | Tashonda sent cards and letters. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram7.gif |
| 9 | **Three direct objects** | Tashonda sent e-mail, cards, and letters. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram8.gif |
| 10 | **Compound predicate with direct objects** | Joselyn cooked breakfast and ate it. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram9.gif |
| 11 | **Compound predicate with one direct object** | Samantha proofreads and edits her essays. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram10.gif |
| 12 | **Indirect object** | Mrs. Doubtfire gave the children homework. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram11.gif |
| 13 | **Compound indirect objects** | Mrs. Doubtfire gave Tabitha and Samantha quizzes. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram12.gif |
| 14 | **Predicate noun** | John Calhoun is a coach. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram13.gif |
| 15 | **Objective complement** | Johnny painted his old jalopy purple. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_objcomp.gif |
| The club elected Tashonda [as its] president. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_objcomp2.gif |
| 16 | **Reflexive Pronouns** | [as direct object] José cut himself. [as indirect object] Mr. Edwards gave himself a raise. [as object of a preposition] She cared only for herself. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/reflexives.gif |
| 17 | **Intensive Pronoun** | I myself prefer basketball. [or] I prefer basketball myself. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/intensives.gif |
| 18 | **Appositive** | John Calhoun, the coach, yelled at the referees. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram14.gif |
| 19 | **Direct address** | Heitor, address the class now. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram15.gif |
| 20 | **Interjection** | Man, that hurt! | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram16.gif |
| 21 | **Adjective** | Athletic moves excite the crowd. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram17.gif |
| 22 | **Compound adjectives** | The little old lady hit the tall and distinguished gentleman. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram18.gif |
| 23 | **Predicate adjective** | Samson was powerful. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram19.gif |
| 24 | **Compound predicate adjectives** | Samson was powerful but gullible. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram20.gif |
| 25 | **Comparative adjective** | Joanna is considerably taller than her brother [is]. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_comp_adj.gif |
| 26 | **Adverb** | Dogsbreath works quickly. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram21.gif |
| 27 | **Adverbs modifying other adverbs** | A very friendly dog wags its tail quite often. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram22.gif |
| 28 | **Compound adverbs** | Dr. Turveydrop waited patiently and quietly at the door. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram23.gif |
| 29 | **Prepositional phrase** | Charles is working in the garden. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram24.gif |
| 30 | **Prepositional phrase modifying another prepositional phrase** | Charles is working in the garden by the river. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram25.gif |
| 31 | **Preposition with compound objects** | The thought of  getting up and working is alarming. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram26.gif |
| 32 | **Prepositional phrase modifying an adverb** | Tashonda does her best work early  during the semester. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram27.gif |
| 33 | **Prepositional phrase as subjective complement** | She felt under the weather. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_prep_sc.jpg |
| 34 | **Participle** | The crumbling bridge must be repaired. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram28.gif |
| 35 | **Participial phrase** | The screaming crowd watched the bridge falling into the river. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram30.gif |
| 36 | **Gerund** | Working hard can be profitable. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram31.gif |
| 37 | **Gerund phrase acting as object** | Terminata hates eating broccoli. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram32.gif |
| 38 | **Gerund phrase as object of a preposition** | Wolfson wrote a book about playing basketball. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram32a.gif |
| 39 | **Infinitive as noun (subject & predicate)** | To know him is to love him. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram33.gif |
| 40 | **Infinitive acting as adjective** | His decision to leave early was unfortunate. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram34.gif |
| 41 | **Infinitive acting as adverb** | He is determined to work hard. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram35.gif |
| 42 | **Infinitive as direct object** | The Eagles slowly began to climb the national rankings. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram36.gif |
| 43 | **Infinitive phrase as object of preposition** | Pedrito had no choice except to run away. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram37.gif |
| 44 | **Infinitive phrase as objective complement** | Mom wanted me to do the dishes. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/inf_obj_comp.gif |
| 45 | **Infinitive phrase as appositive** | It was a mistake to elect William president. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/inf_app.gif |
| 46 | **Causative Verb** | Professor Villa made her students read four novels. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/causative.jpg |
| 47 | **Expletive Construction** | There are never enough hot dogs at the annual picnic. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram37a.gif |
| There is no one working with Albert. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram37aa.gif |
| 48 | **Absolute Construction** | To tell the truth, I do not remember meeting her. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_abs.gif |
| 49 | **Correlative Conjunction** | Either we wash the walls, or we paint them. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/diagram_corr.gif |
| 50 | **Passive Verbs** | The burglar was shot. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/passive1.gif |
| Mary was awarded the Smith Case. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/passive3.gif |
| Turveydrop was named chairman while he was out of the room. | http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/diagrams2/passive2.gif |

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