

The Sentence

I. The sentence

A. Definition: The sentence is made up of words which are constructed properly to express a complete thought. Each word in a sentence may be designated as a part of speech. Every sentence **MUST HAVE A AT LEAST ONE SUBJECT AND AT LEAST ONE VERB.**

2 subjects =
on pond
subject
(on is short
for the verb)

The woman on the corner ran around the block. (can reduce to The woman ran)

Simple Subject Subject Simple Predicate predicate

B. Eight parts of speech:

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| 1. Noun | 2. Pronoun | 3. Verb | 4. Adverb |
| 5. Adjective | 6. Preposition | 7. Conjunction | 8. Interjection |

*the part of speech of a word must be determined by its use in a sentence:

Not always can just tell

C. Natural order: the subject comes before the verb or verb phrase in a sentence

i.e. The vice-president sat behind the president.

The girls were standing near the aisle.