

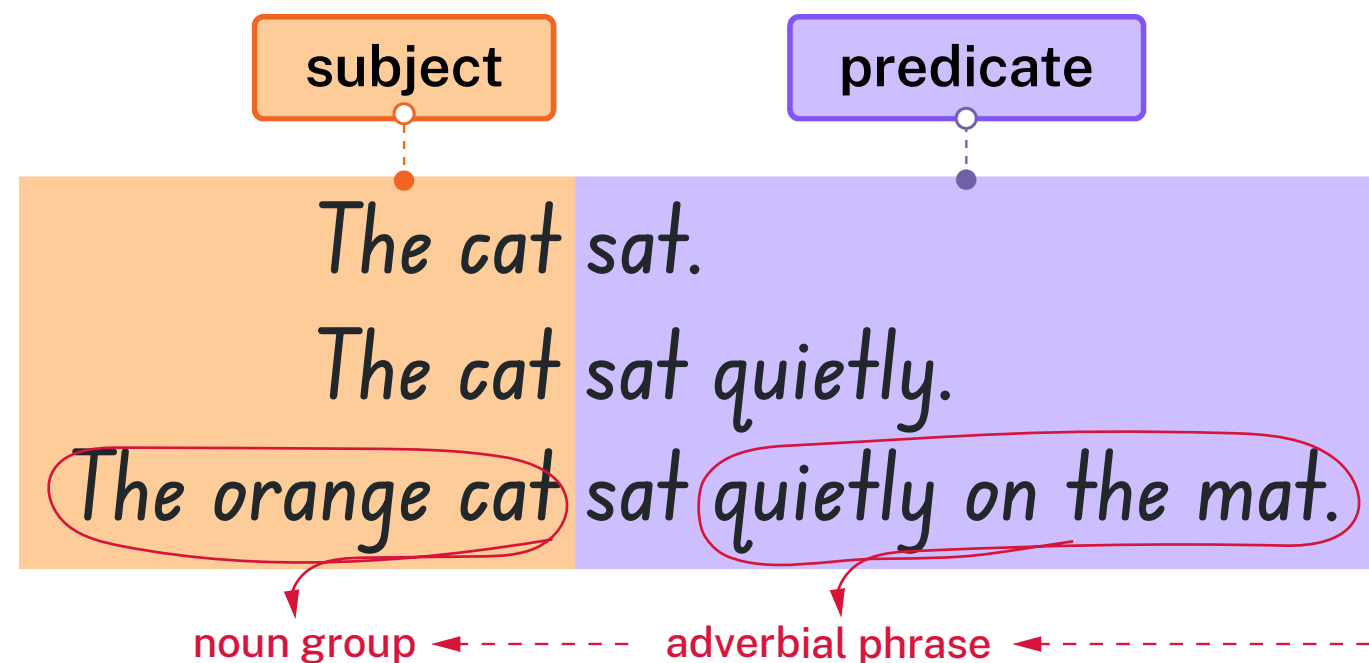
# Simple sentences

A simple sentence has:

- one independent (main) clause
- a finite verb and its related subject.



## Example



Simple sentences can be modified by expanding the **noun group**, and/or by adding an **adverbial phrase** or a **prepositional phrase**.



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## Punctuating a simple sentence

- All sentences begin with a capital letter.
- The sentence function determines the type of end punctuation that is used. For example:
  - a declarative sentence ends with a full stop
  - an exclamatory sentence ends with an exclamation mark
  - an imperative sentence can end with a full stop or an exclamation mark
  - an interrogative sentence ends with a question mark.

These punctuation conventions are used in compound and complex sentences as well.



### Types of verbs

#### • action verbs •

- run
- dance
- play
- climb
- sit

#### • saying verbs •

- yell
- whisper
- explain
- tell
- say

#### • sensing verbs •

- wonder
- imagine
- believe
- love
- like
- smell
- hear
- observe

#### • relating (linking) verbs •

◦ is	◦ been
◦ am	◦ has
◦ are	◦ have
◦ were	◦ had
◦ was	◦ do
◦ be	◦ does
◦ being	◦ did

#### • modal verbs •

- shall
- will
- should
- would
- may
- might
- must
- can
- could