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Subjects and Predicates

Focus

Rule

- The **subject** is the part of the sentence that tells *who* or *what*.
- The **predicate** is the part of the sentence that describes or tells what the subject does.
- A **simple subject** is a single key noun or pronoun in a simple sentence.
- A **compound subject** is two or more key nouns linked by a conjunction.
- The predicate in a simple sentence can also be **simple** or **compound**.

Example

- The **students** visited a nature preserve.
- The students **visited a nature preserve**.
- The **students** visited a nature preserve.
- The **students** and their **teacher** visited a nature preserve.
- The students **visited a nature preserve**. The students *visited a nature preserve* and *had a picnic*.

Practice

Circle the subjects and underline the predicates in the following sentences. Then write S on the line if a sentence has a simple subject or C if it has a compound subject.

1. _____ The Harris family spends each Saturday doing volunteer work.
2. _____ Duante and Latitia joined the Clean Up! Crew to help remove litter from parks.
3. _____ Their parents go to the local food pantry and help sort the donations.
4. _____ Duante's friend Zack decided to become part of the Clean Up! Crew too
5. _____ The Harris family and other volunteers make life better for everyone.