

Diagraming Sentences

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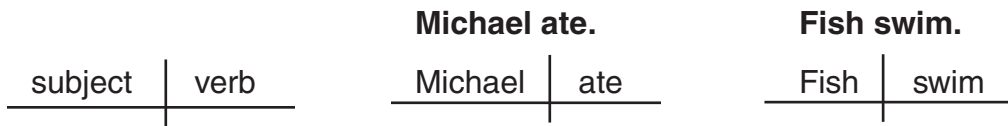
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Diagraming Subjects and Predicates

When diagraming sentences, the horizontal line under the subject and predicate is called the base line. The subject is written on the left side of the base line, and the predicate is on the right side of the base line. A vertical dividing line that crosses the base line is drawn between the subject and verb. Punctuation is not used in a sentence diagram.



Compound subjects are both written on the left side of the base line. The conjunction that connects the two subjects is written on a dotted line between the two subject lines.



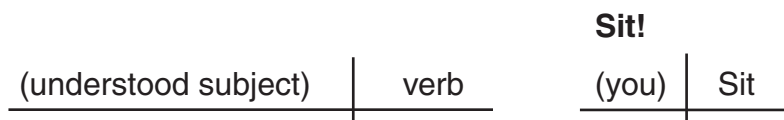
Compound verbs are both written on the right side of the base line. The conjunction that connects the two verbs is written on a dotted line between the two verb lines.



Sentences with compound subjects and compound verbs have the subjects written on two lines on the left side of the base line, and the verbs are written on two lines on the right side of the base line. The conjunction that connects the two subjects is written on a dotted line between the two subjects, and the conjunction that connects the two verbs is written on a dotted line between the two verbs.



When the subject is understood, as in commands, it is written on the left side of the base line in parentheses.



Name: _____ Date: _____

Diagraming Subjects and Predicates: Practice Activity 1

Directions: Diagram the following sentences in the space provided. Use the correct form. An example is given.



<p>1. Grass grows.</p>	<p>5. Jeff laughed and chuckled.</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> </div>
<p>2. Dogs play.</p>	<p>6. Caroline wrote and drew.</p>
<p>3. Cats and kittens purr.</p>	<p>7. Jeff and Marie sing and dance.</p>
<p>4. John and I raced.</p>	<p>8. Connor and Kelsey tried but lost.</p>

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Diagraming Subjects and Predicates: Practice Activity 2

Directions: Diagram the following sentences in the space provided. Use the correct form. An example is given.



<p>1. Emily and Erica dance and sing.</p>	<p>5. She and I draw and paint.</p>
<p>2. Jamal skates.</p>	<p>6. Mother washes and dries.</p>
<p>3. Alexis, Pam, and Li sang.</p>	<p>7. Elena will dance.</p>
<p>4. Charles and William will work.</p> <div style="margin-top: 20px;"> </div>	<p>8. Tigger jumped and slid.</p>