

STD. VII ENGLISH

ENGLISH PRACTICE BOOK

LESSON : 2

THE SENTENCE

The Sentence

A group of words that makes **complete sense**,
conveys a clear meaning and expresses a
complete thought.

For Example:

food good loves everyone healthy and.
Everyone loves good and healthy food.

Every sentence has two parts!

1. Subject and
2. Predicate

When we make a sentence

1. We name some person or thing.
2. Say something about that person or thing.

In other words, we must have a subject to speak about and we must say or predicate something about that subject.

(a) So, the part which names the person or thing we are speaking about is called the Subject of the sentence.

(b) The part which tells something about the subject is called the Predicate of the sentence.

For example:

Subject	Predicate
Suresh	runs
Birds	fly
Girls	play
My brother	passed the examination
It	is very cold today
The dogs	bark at night.

The subject of a sentence usually comes first, but occasionally it is put after the predicate also; as:

1. Here comes the bus.
2. Sweet are the uses of adversity.

However, in imperative sentences the subject is left out; as:

1. Sit down—Here the subject you is understood.
2. Thank him—Here too the subject 'you' is understood.

We have four types of sentences in English Language.

Types of Sentences

- 1. Declarative Sentence or Statement**
- 2. Interrogative Sentence**
- 3. Imperative Sentence**
- 4. Exclamatory Sentence**

Declarative Sentence

It is a declaration-a simple statement of a fact. It can be negative or positive. It begins with a capital letter and ends with a full stop (.). It is also called an assertive sentence.

Examples:

- I love old songs.
- I don't like liars.

Interrogative Sentence

It begins with a capital letter, ends with a question mark (?) it asks a question.

Examples:

- When are you coming to Delhi?
- Why is he so upset?
- Am I late?

Imperative Sentence

It expresses commands, orders and requests.

Examples:

- Clean this room fast.
- Please help me lift this box.
- Move in a line.

Exclamatory Sentence

It expresses a sudden and strong feeling. It normally begins with words like Alas ! oh ! wow ! Hurray followed by a mark of exclamation.

Examples:

- Wow ! You look so beautiful.
- Hurray ! We have won the game.
- Alas ! She is no more.
- What a fool I am !