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Lesson 1
READER'S NOTEBOOK

Simple Subjects and Simple Predicates

**A Package for
Mrs. Jewls**
Grammar: Complete Sentences

A sentence is a group of words that expresses a complete thought. Every sentence has two parts: a subject and a predicate. The **simple subject** is the main word that tells whom or what the sentence is about. The **simple predicate** is the main word that tells what the subject is or does. When a sentence is a command, the subject is understood but not stated.

simple subject simple predicate

The school staff awaited the delivery of the package.

[You] Hold the door open, please.

Thinking Questions

*What word tells whom or what the sentence is about?
What word tells what the subject is or does?*

1–4. Read the complete sentences below. Underline the simple subject and circle the simple predicate.

1. Frank delivered packages and mail to the school every day.
2. The package in the brown box was by far the heaviest.
3. The contents of the box weighed over 50 pounds!
4. Luckily he spotted Louis in the doorway.

5–7. Read the complete sentences below. Write the simple subject and circle the simple predicate.

5. The early morning is a busy time for the school principal.
6. Wait by the classroom door.
7. The teacher wrote the directions on the board.