

Subject and Verb

Every complete sentence must have a subject and a verb. Subjects are often nouns, but not always. To diagram a sentence, draw a line underneath the subject and verb. Then draw a line between them that extends a little below the line under them.

Example: The bird sings.



Diagram the following simple sentences. For this exercise, only diagram the subjects and verbs.

The cat ate the mouse.

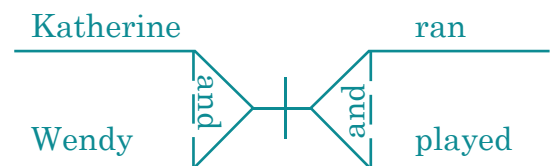
I like Theresa.

The house is blue.

Some sentences have more than one subject, called a compound subject, or more than one verb, called a compound verb. In these situations, the subject and verb diagram looks like this:

See if you can diagram the following sentences with compound subjects and verbs. For this exercise, only diagram the subjects, verbs and conjunctions.

Katherine and Wendy ran and played in the snow.



The doctor and the nurse helped the patient.

We laughed and talked for hours.

Jim and Rose prepared and cooked the roast.