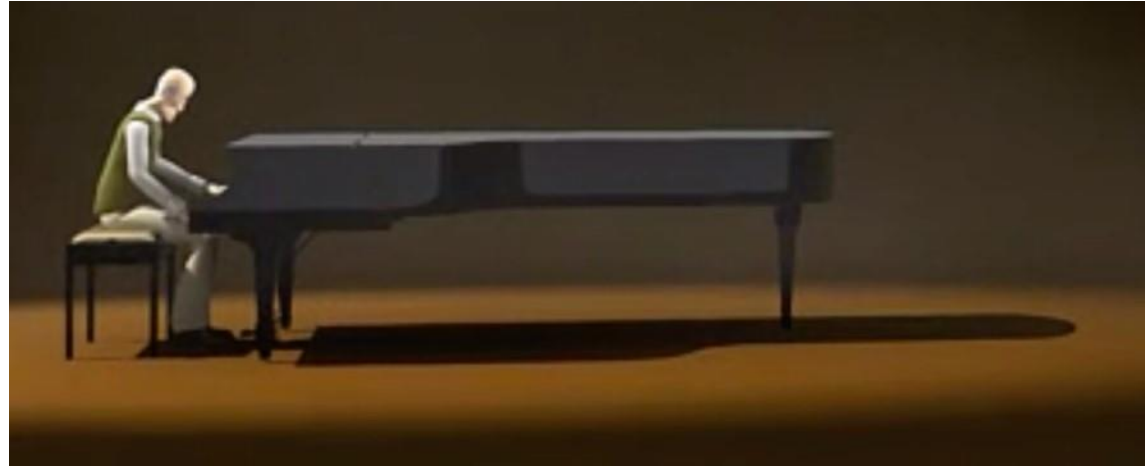


Sentences and their Punctuation



What is a **sentence**?

How are sentences **punctuated**?

Do you know the **different parts** of a sentence or clause?

Sentences

Sentences make sense by themselves.
They need at least one main clause.
Each clause has an **active verb**.



They went to battle.
The man led the way.
His friend is alongside him.
His worst fears became reality.
Was it his fault?

Can you spot the
active verb in each
sentence?



Sentences

a smile ❌

a smile was shared ✅

they played the piano together ✅

she gazed ✅

before I knew what was happening ❌

This is a **subordinate clause**. It has a subordinating conjunction at its head and does not contain a complete idea.



Which of these are complete sentences?

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A complete sentence needs an active verb and something or someone doing that verb.



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We **punctuate** sentences to make our writing clearer.
A **capital letter** goes at the beginning and the end is indicated by...
a **full stop, question mark or exclamation mark**.



not a complete sentence
- no verb.

He was playing **.**

sweetheart, now

Punctuation does not make a complete sentence; it makes the beginning and ending clear.



not a complete sentence
- who is doing the verb?

What could he do **?**

That was a surprise **!**

smiled quietly

How would you punctuate these?



Parts of a Clause

A **clause** is a group of words which contains a **verb**.

The **verbs** have a **subject**.

The man remembered

This clause is about **the man**.

The child played

This clause is about **the child**.

Memories grew

This clause is about **memories**.

The **subject** is what the **clause** is about.



In some **clauses** there is something the **verb** acts on.

This is called the **object**.



Parts of a Clause

A **clause** is a group of words which contains a **verb**.

All **verbs** have a **subject**.

The man remembered his life

The child played the piano

Memories grew in his mind

The **object** is affected by the verb.

The **subject** is what the **clause** is about.



In some **clauses** there is something the **verb** acts on.

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Parts of a Clause

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I remembered the whole thing.

He opened his eyes.

His fingers touched the keyboard.

The boy opened the mysterious box.

His wife smiled.

some clauses do not have an object



Can you spot the subject, verb and object in each of these clauses?

The whole noun phrase can be counted as the object 'the living room', 'a grand piano' etc.



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