

11: SENTENCE ANALYSIS

Analyze these **Simple Sentences** that emphasize **Direct Objects which always follow Action Verbs**. They are already divided into Parts of the Sentence. Identify each Part of the Sentence using the various underline and bracket styles shown below. Having the sentences printed on paper may be the best way to do the analyses. To easily make any changes or corrections, pencil is recommended.

Source: Based on **Exercise 33** in Exercises in the Structure of English, First Book (1963), by Gordon H. Allison.

Answers are provided at the end of Stairway to Grammar.

Symbols for Graphic Analysis of Parts of the Sentence

- SUBJECTS (including Noun Clauses): wavy underline (When the subject 'You' is understood or not written, write You in a box with a wavy underline)
- VERBS (Action): solid underline
- VERBS (Non-Action): double solid underline
- DIRECT OBJECTS: broken underline
- INDIRECT OBJECTS: dotted underline
- SUBJECTIVE COMPLETIONS: double wavy underline
- (ADJECTIVES) (ADJECTIVE PHRASES) (ADJECTIVE CLAUSES): round brackets
- [ADVERBS] [ADVERB PHRASES] [ADVERB CLAUSES]: square brackets
- <COORDINATE CONJUNCTIONS>: arrow brackets

Based on Exercise 33 (Direct Objects)

1. We | borrowed | the | book | from them.
2. I | saw | him | yesterday.
3. I | like | rice | porridge | occasionally.
4. These | birds | eat | weed | seeds | during the winter.
5. Uncle John | bought | this | house | very | cheaply.

6. The | young | man | took | the | radio | to the repair shop.
7. He | will write | the | letter | after work | tomorrow.
8. We | met | John | and | Mary | in the park.
9. He | closed | the | door | noisily.
10. They | picked | a | bushel | of apples | in the orchard.
11. He | gave | a | speech | at the meeting.
12. I | found | these | acorns | under that tree.
13. The | manager | sent up | these | samples | of silk broadcloth | for | you.
14. Never again | will | I | throw | a | container | of cooking oil | into the campfire.
15. This | prize | he | won | at the annual school games.
16. The | king | demanded | an | explanation | from the culprits.
17. Isaac Newton | acquired | this | knowledge | in an unusual way.
18. He | begins | work | on Monday | at a welding shop.
19. In the dark | he | saw | his | shadow | on the wall.
20. On the shelf | I | found | the | boxes | of parts.
21. The | mother | of the girl | made | a | cake | for her birthday.
22. After supper | they | brought | the | gift | to the child.
23. The | harvesters | cut | the | grain | in the fall | of the year.
24. In the back yard | during their baseball game | they | broke | a | window | of the house.
25. We | saw | the | three | deer | in the park | on our first visit.
26. The | sewing-class | pupils | bought | the | required | material | this year.
27. These | men | wear | a | uniform | of dark blue | on the job.
28. Many years ago | Mr. Brown | wrote | a | history | of Canada.
29. A | charitable | organization | held | a | sale | of baby clothes | on Saturday.
30. On the way to the post office | in the rain | a | man | was carrying | an | umbrella.
31. He | brought | the | barrel | of apples | into the house.

32. The | famous | author | named Grey Owl | built | a | cabin | in the woods.

33. At the corner | in our town | I | met | a | lost | stranger.

34. An | attendant | asked for | my | name | before the community meeting.

35. After our trip | we | remembered | the | many | visits | with our friends.

36. The | briars | severely | scratched | our | legs.

37. At one point | a | huge | boulder | completely | blocked | the path.

38. During the class | the | student | gave | some | answers.

39. We | recalled | your | mishap | at the camp | last year.

40. In the last minute | we | lost | the | lead | in the football game.