

13: SENTENCE ANALYSIS

Analyze these **Simple Sentences** that emphasize **Direct and Indirect 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 35** 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 35 (Direct Objects and Indirect Objects)

1. We | took | him | the | evening | newspaper | after supper.
2. The | agent | offered | us | a | bargain.
3. The | young | man | told | us | the | way | to Guelph.
4. Judy | got | Jane | another | ball | before Thursday.
5. The | farmer | brought | me | some | more | potatoes.

6. She | showed | me | her | new book.
7. I | told | her | the | whole | story.
8. He | gave | the | cat | a | piece | of fish.
9. The | man | bought | his | wife | a | lovely | new | ring.
10. He | lent | the | team | captain | his | hockey | stick.
11. They | denied | him | the | privilege | of driving the car.
12. The | poet | told | them | a | story | of romance.
13. She | taught | her | some | Canadian | geography.
14. He | sang | us | many | good | songs | tonight.
15. The | gardener | gave | me | that | beautiful | flower | this morning.
16. The | librarian | handed | him | this | book.
17. He | taught | his | congregation | the | love | and | support | of God.
18. The | waiter | poured | me | a | glass | of water.
19. We | showed | our | guest | all | the | rooms | of our dwelling.
20. They | have shown | him | much | tolerance.
21. The | man | from Florida | sent | his | friend | a | bushel | of oranges.
22. The | children | made | their | mothers | little | gifts | at school.
23. The | mailman | brought | us | three | letters | and | a | parcel | yesterday.
24. The | pastor | preached | us | a | good | sermon.
25. The | wily | vixen | caught | her | pups | a | fat | rabbit.
26. He | taught | his | sister | music | on the piano.
27. The | judge | gave | the | prisoner | his | freedom.
28. He | told | me | an | exciting | story | about his fishing trip.
29. He | gave | the | winner | of the race | first | prize.
30. The | thankful | candidate | gave | her | canvassers | gift | certificates | for their help.