

# Let's Write Sentences!

## Lesson 1

Here is what you will learn in this lesson:

What is a **subject**?

What is a **verb**?

How do I **start** a sentence?

How do I **end** a sentence?

Meet Colin. →

Colin does not know how to  
write a sentence.



**Don't worry, Colin!**  
**The woods are full of friends who can help you.**



← **Meet Sally.** She knows all about sentences.

**Sally will teach you  
about sentences, too!**

## Part 1: Subjects

### What is a **subject**?

A sentence always\* has a **subject** and a **verb**. (\*We will be learning about Emotion Sentences in Lesson 3 which will not always *show* a subject in the sentence.)

A **subject** is always a noun, which is a person, place, or thing. The **subject** of a sentence is who or what the sentence is about. Watch as Sally shows Colin which word is the **subject** in each of these sentences.

**Colin** wants to learn.

**Sally** loves to help.

**You** are very talented!

The **woods** are beautiful.

**Sally** is teaching Colin about sentences.



## Part 2: Verbs

### What is a **verb**?

A **verb** is what the subject is doing. A **verb** is the action in the sentence. Watch as Sally shows Colin which word is the **verb** in each of these sentences.

Colin **wants** to learn.

Sally **loves** to help.

The woods **are** beautiful.

Sally **teaches** Colin about sentences.

Colin will write a sentence of his own:

**sally and I love camping**



### Part 3: Starting a Sentence

**How do I start a sentence?**

The first word of a sentence is always **capitalized**. A sentence is not correct without its first word capitalized. Watch as Sally shows Colin sentences that begin with capital letters.

**B**erries are delicious.

**C**an you climb a tree?

**S**how me how to catch a butterfly.

**T**hat was a cool trick!

## Part 4: Ending a Sentence

### How do I end a sentence?

Every sentence must begin with a capital letter, and every sentence must end with a **sentence stopper**. You have three sentence stoppers to choose from.

• A **period** is used at the end of a telling sentence.

? A **question mark** is used at the end of an asking sentence.

! An **exclamation point** is used at the end of an emotion or shouting sentence.

Watch as Sally shows Colin sentences that end with sentence stoppers.

Berries are delicious.

Can you climb a tree?

Show me how to catch a butterfly!

That was a cool trick!

Colin will write a sentence of his own:

**Sentences are a lot of fun!**



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### Lesson 1 Assignments:

When you type your assignments in Word, please make sure to use **MLA format**. Also, when you e-mail me your assignments, please make sure that the subject line includes your name, the class name (LWS), and the assignment number or numbers.

Example: Subject: **BrianS LWS-1A**

or (if sending more than one)

Subject: **BrianS LWS-1B and 1C**

### **1A- Noun and Verb Sort**

Cut out the words below and sort them into 2 piles. You will have one pile for **nouns** and one pile for **verbs**. When you have sorted them, type the two lists in a Word document and email it to me.

<b>tree</b>	<b>jump</b>	<b>Colin</b>	<b>You</b>
<b>hike</b>	<b>is</b>	<b>Sally</b>	<b>sing</b>
<b>skunk</b>	<b>teacher</b>	<b>gave</b>	<b>swim</b>
<b>Dive</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>jog</b>	<b>tent</b>

## **1B What's wrong with these sentences?**

Look at the following sentences. Then, in a Word document, tell me what's wrong in each sentence. Finally, write the sentence correctly.

Here's an example to get you started:

*1B Example:* Colin cold.

*You'll type:* 1B: Sentence 1: Colin cold.

1. It doesn't have a verb.
2. Corrected Sentence: Colin is cold.

## **1B Assignment Sentences:**

**Sentence 1: how do I find food in the woods**

**Sentence 2: I can't wait to go camping**

**Sentence 3: Drinking from a stream.**

**Sentence 4: She the tree**

**Sentence 5: watch out for that hot fire**

## **1C Write your own sentence!**

In a new Word document, write **3 sentences** of your own. Don't forget a **subject**, a **verb**, a **capital letter** at the beginning, and a **sentence stopper** at the end.

After your sentences, write the following and fill in the blanks:

**My subject is** \_\_\_\_\_ .

**My verb is** \_\_\_\_\_ .

\_\_\_\_\_ **is my first word, and it is capitalized.**

**My sentence stopper is a (or an)** \_\_\_\_\_ .