

**SENTENCE BOXING**

EXERCISE

Using the boxes, identify the parts of speech for the words in the first box, then identify the structural components of the sentence in the next (e.g., either subject, action, object, when applicable). Note: Some words are supporting words. These words are not subjects; they do not show action; or, they are not objects... simply leave these blank. Additionally, you may use abbreviations for the parts of speech (e.g., prep. for preposition, and so forth).

1. John loves to drink tea with his friends.

<b>John</b>	<b>loves</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>drink</b>	<b>tea</b>	<b>with</b>	<b>his</b>	<b>friends</b>
Noun	Verb	Prep.	Verb	Noun	Prep.	Det.	Noun
Subject	Action	Action	Action	Object			Object

2. After the game, Danny went to a restaurant.

<b>After</b>	<b>the</b>	<b>game</b>	<b>Danny</b>	<b>went</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>restaurant</b>
Prep.	Det.	Noun	Noun	Verb	Prep.	Det.	Noun
		Object	Subject	Action			Object

3. Jeff plays the guitar in a rock band.

<b>Jeff</b>	<b>plays</b>	<b>the</b>	<b>guitar</b>	<b>in</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>rock</b>	<b>Band</b>
Noun	Verb	Det.	Noun.	Prep.	Det.	Adj.	Band
Subject	Action		Object				Object

4. Mitch has a baseball card collection in his room.

<b>Mitch</b>	<b>has</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>baseball</b>	<b>card</b>	<b>collection</b>	<b>in</b>	<b>his</b>	<b>room</b>
Noun	Verb	Det.	Adj.	Noun.	Noun.	Prep.	Det.	Noun
Subject	Action				Object			Object

5. Meredith loves to go dancing at night.

<b>Meredith</b>	<b>loves</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>go</b>	<b>dancing</b>	<b>at</b>	<b>Night</b>
Noun	Verb	Prep.	Verb	Verb	Prep.	Noun
Subject	Action	Action	Action	Action		Object

6. Lisa likes to bake cakes for her grandmother.

<b>Lisa</b>	<b>likes</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>bake</b>	<b>cakes</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>her</b>	<b>grandmother</b>
Noun	Verb	Prep.	Verb	Noun	Prep.	Det.	Noun
Subject	Action		Action	Object			Object

7. Kevin is a wonderful actor.

<b>Kevin</b>	<b>is</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>wonderful</b>	<b>Actor</b>
Noun	Verb	Det.	Adj.	Noun
Subject	Action			Complement

8. Jason loves living in Houston, Texas.

<b>Jason</b>	<b>loves</b>	<b>living</b>	<b>in</b>	<b>Houston</b>	<b>Texas</b>
Noun	Verb	Verb	Prep.	Noun	Noun
Subject	Action	Action		Object	Object

9. While working, Marjorie loves to take an hour break.

<b>While</b>	<b>working</b>	<b>Marjorie</b>	<b>loves</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>take</b>	<b>an</b>	<b>hour</b>	<b>break</b>
Conj.	Verb	Noun	Verb	Prep	Verb	Det.	Adv.	Noun
		Subject	Action		Action			Object

10. Flying the airplane during a storm is difficult work.

<b>Flying</b>	<b>the</b>	<b>airplane</b>	<b>during</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>storm</b>	<b>is</b>	<b>difficult</b>	<b>Work</b>
Verb	Det.	Noun.	Prep.	Det.	Noun	Verb	Adj.	Noun
Subject	Subject	Subject			Object	Action		Complement

11. When duty calls, the police are ready to keep the peace.

<b>When</b>	<b>duty</b>	<b>calls</b>	<b>the</b>	<b>police</b>	<b>are</b>	<b>ready</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>keep</b>	<b>the</b>	<b>Peace</b>
Conj.	Noun	Verb	Det.	Noun	Verb	Adv.	Prep.	Verb	Det.	Noun
	Object	Action		Subject	Action			Action		Object

12. Surprisingly, Juan loves asparagus.

<b>Surprisingly</b>	<b>Juan</b>	<b>loves</b>	<b>Asparagus</b>
Adv.	Noun	Verb	Noun
	Subject	Action	Object