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# Basics. Basic Word Order: Subject-Verb-Object

Easy | A1 | Elementary | Beginners | Object | Past tense | Sentence | Subject | Verb | Word order

**1.** Help Detective Barnaby write the final, dramatic line of his official police report. Select the sentence that uses the correct English word order.

"After hours of intense investigation, the truth is finally clear. ___"

*Select one.*

**A)** Stole he the donut.
**B)** He the donut stole.
**C)** The donut stole he.
**D)** He stole the donut.

**2.** Help the struggling student complete their email to the professor with a very classic excuse. Choose the options that use the correct English word order.

"I am so sorry, Professor, but _____. After that disaster, _____ to stay awake and write a new one!"

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

**A)** my dog ate my essay
**B)** my dog my essay ate
**C)** ate my dog my essay

**Blank 2**

**A)** I drank five coffees
**B)** I five coffees drank
**C)** drank I five coffees

**3.** Complete the sports commentator's live broadcast by choosing the sentence with the correct word order.

"I don't believe it! The game is completely out of control! Look at the field—___"

*Select one.*

**A)** The referee the players chase!
**B)** Chase the players the referee!
**C)** The players chase the referee!
**D)** The players the referee chase!

**4.** Zorg the alien is practicing Earth sentences, but sometimes he jumbles his words! Select ALL the sentences where Zorg uses the correct Subject-Verb-Object order.

*Select all that apply.*

**A)** We love your green spaceship.
**B)** Zorg eats pepperoni pizza.
**C)** Your green spaceship love we.
**D)** Eats Zorg pepperoni pizza.

**5.** Help Zorg the alien order his very first Earth meal correctly so the waiter understands him. Select the grammatically correct sentence.

*Select one.*

**A)** Zorg eats a pizza.
**B)** Eats Zorg a pizza.
**C)** A pizza Zorg eats.
**D)** Zorg a pizza eats.

**6.** The detective is writing a police report about a very sneaky cat. Select ALL the sentences that correctly follow the Subject-Verb-Object pattern.

*Select all that apply.*

- **A)** The cat stole a huge fish.
- **B)** The detective chased the furry thief.
- **C)** Stole the cat a huge fish.
- **D)** The cat a huge fish stole.

**7.** Help the detective finish her report about a very unusual bakery heist. Drag the words into the correct Subject-Verb-Object order.

The sneaky _____ _____ a delicious blueberry _____.

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- **A)** raccoon
- **B)** stole
- **C)** muffin

**Blank 2**

- **A)** stole
- **B)** raccoon
- **C)** muffin

**Blank 3**

- **A)** muffin
- **B)** raccoon
- **C)** stole

**8.** Help the new barista figure out which customers are speaking clear English! Select ALL the sentences that use the correct basic word order (Subject-Verb-Object).

*Select all that apply.*

- **A)** The customer wants a large coffee.
- **B)** I need two chocolate muffins.
- **C)** A large coffee wants the customer.
- **D)** Need I two chocolate muffins.

**9.** Complete this dramatic review of the campus cafeteria. Choose the phrases that follow the correct word order to make sure the warning is clear!

"Warning! Do not eat here! Yesterday, _____. Even worse, _____. Save yourselves!"

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- **A)** the chef burned the pizza
- **B)** the chef the pizza burned
- **C)** burned the chef the pizza

**Blank 2**

- **A)** the mystery meat ruined my stomach
- **B)** the mystery meat my stomach ruined
- **C)** ruined the mystery meat my stomach

**10.** Complete this apologetic text message to a teacher by dragging the words into the standard English order (Subject + Verb + Object).

Unfortunately, my orange _____ _____ my entire science _____.

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- **A)** cat
- **B)** ruined
- **C)** project

**Blank 2**

**A)** ruined
**B)** cat
**C)** project

**Blank 3**

**A)** project
**B)** ruined
**C)** cat