

Addendum to Elocution Worksheet 2: Subjects

Replace section B of “Sentences to Contemplate” with the following sentences:

B. *The subjects in the following sentences are unclear and not specific. Underline the subject in each sentence.*

1. The girl takes dance lessons on Fridays.
2. He was followed through the Rabbit-hole.
3. The traffic was directed by the police officers during the St. Patrick’s Day parade.
4. The volcano has erupted 50 times since 79 AD.
5. The Mercedes was stolen around noon yesterday.
6. The plants were watered daily by Farmer Bryson.

Notice how each sentence improves when we write it with a clear, specific subject:

1. Elizabeth takes dance lessons on Fridays.
2. Alice followed him through the Rabbit-hole.
3. The police officers directed traffic during the St. Patrick’s Day parade.
4. Mt. Vesuvius has erupted 50 times since 79 AD.
5. The notorious thief stole the Mercedes around noon yesterday.
6. Farmer Bryson watered the plants daily.

Replace section C of “Sentences to Contemplate” and part A of “Practice” with the following sentences:

C. *Here are some more sentences that use inadequate subjects:*

1. He said it was a good place to work.
2. Decisions are being made to solve the problem of missing subjects.
3. That statement was made by the Prince of Wales.
4. That one plans to wait here.
5. I would be laughed at if I wore that to school.
6. Vanilla was mixed with sauerkraut by James.

Replace section C of “Practice” with the following sentences:

C. Regrettable Sentences

Improve each of the following sentences by changing the subject. In each case, identify the kind of subject error committed.

1. The girl studied many hours for good grades.
2. This room needs to be cleaned up by you.
3. The buzz of the insect was felt.
4. Cinderella’s festive coach was delivered to the palace.
5. It’s making a mess for you to eat that way.
6. It is your help that is needed.
7. They flocked to the river to see the event.
8. Just after Easter, it blossomed.
9. After hours of practicing with clear subjects, some clarity was produced by the worksheets.
10. The car was hit from the rear by an uninsured motorist.

Answer Key for Addendum to Elocution Worksheet 2: Subjects

Replace section B of “Sentences to Contemplate” with the following sentences:

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1. Error 1
2. Error 3
3. Error 2
4. Error 1
5. Error 3
6. Error 2

Replace section C of “Sentences to Contemplate” and part A of “Practice” with the following sentences:

C. *Here are some more sentences that use inadequate subjects:*

7. Error 1
8. Error 3
9. Error 2
10. Error 1
11. Error 3
12. Error 2

Replace section C of “Practice” with the following sentences:

C. Regrettable Sentences

Improve each of the following sentences by changing the subject. In each case, identify the kind of subject error committed.

11. Error 1
12. Error 2
13. Error 3
14. Error 3
15. Error 1
16. Error 3
17. Error 1
18. Error 1
19. Error 2
20. Error 2