Simple Sentences

Simple sentences (subject-verb) require a single horizontal line bisected by a vertical line which separates the subject from the verb. The articles a, an, and the are adjectives and are placed on a diagonal line beneath the noun(s) they modify.

Examples: Trees sway.

Trees | sway

EXERCISE 1

In the following sentences, underline the subjects once and the verbs twice. Then diagram the sentences.

- 1. Dogs run.
- 2. Cats climb.
- 3. The fish swim.
- 4. Snakes slide.
- 5. A duck quacks.

The birds can sing.

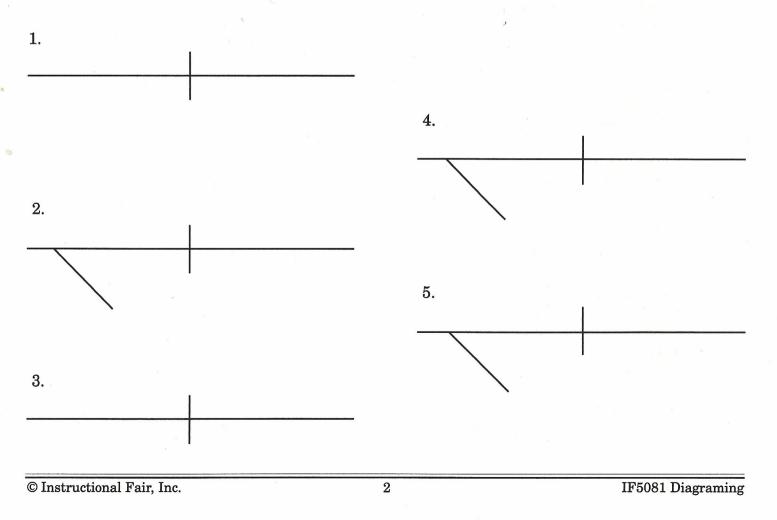
birds

6. The salamanders slither.

- 7. Dinosaurs rumble.
- 8. Badgers burrow.
- 9. The hyena yelps.
- 10. Giraffes can run.

EXERCISE 2

Create sentences to fit these diagrams. Then write each one on the correct diagram.



can sing Nh_o

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EXERCISE 3

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Unscramble the following groups of words to make complete sentences and then diagram.

1. talk politicians

2. advertise companies

3. serve waiters the

4. stinks garbage

5. chill refrigerators

EXERCISE 4

Find the mistakes in the following diagrams. Then, diagram the sentences correctly.

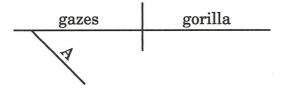
1. Tigers roar.

Tigers roar

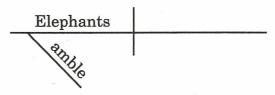
2. Swallows will return.

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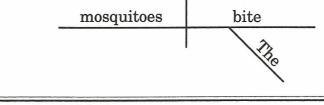
3. A gorilla gazes.



4. Elephants amble.



5. The mosquitoes bite.



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