

Act Three: Direct Object (D.O.)

Example Sentences

Here are some example sentences that use direct objects. The official abbreviation for *direct object* is *D.O.* Let us look at these first, and then you can see some that you can solve on your own.

Remember, action verbs do not always have direct objects. One more major point: **The direct object is NEVER in a prepositional phrase (those begin with prepositions).**

1.	Poodle	grabbed	the	barking	beagle.
	n.	v.	adj.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP			D.O.

2.	Gramlet	jumped	on	the	rock.
	n.	v.	prep.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP			

Note: ROCK cannot be the direct object. It is in a prepositional phrase.

3.	Poodle	saw	Dickinson	in	a	blue	cloud.
	n.	v.	n.	prep.	adj.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP	D.O.				

4.	Gramlet	spoke	his	lines	perfectly.
	n.	v.	adj.	n.	adv.
	subj.	AVP		D.O.	

5.	Poodle	gave	Gramlet	the	crystal.
	n.	v.	n.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP			D.O.

6.	Poodle	ate	the	old,	moldy	cheese.
	n.	v.	adj.	adj.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP				D.O.

7.	Gramlet	cried	to	the	new	friends.
	n.	v.	prep.	adj.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP				

Note: FRIENDS cannot be the direct object. It is in a prepositional phrase.

8.	Poodle	asked	Dickinson	for	some	quiet.
	n.	v.	n.	prep.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP	D.O.			

9.	Gramlet	asked	a	very	profound	question.
	n.	v.	adj.	adv.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP				D.O.

10.	Sidney	gave	him	some	blue	crackers.
	n.	v.	pron.	adj.	adj.	n.
	subj.	AVP				D.O.

Act Three: Direct Object (D.O.) Practice Problems

1. Poodle has a vicious turtle.
2. Gramlet threw a large, blue stone.
3. Sidney gave the crystal to Poodle.
4. Poodle put the sandwich on the ledge.
5. Gramlet shouted at the wind.