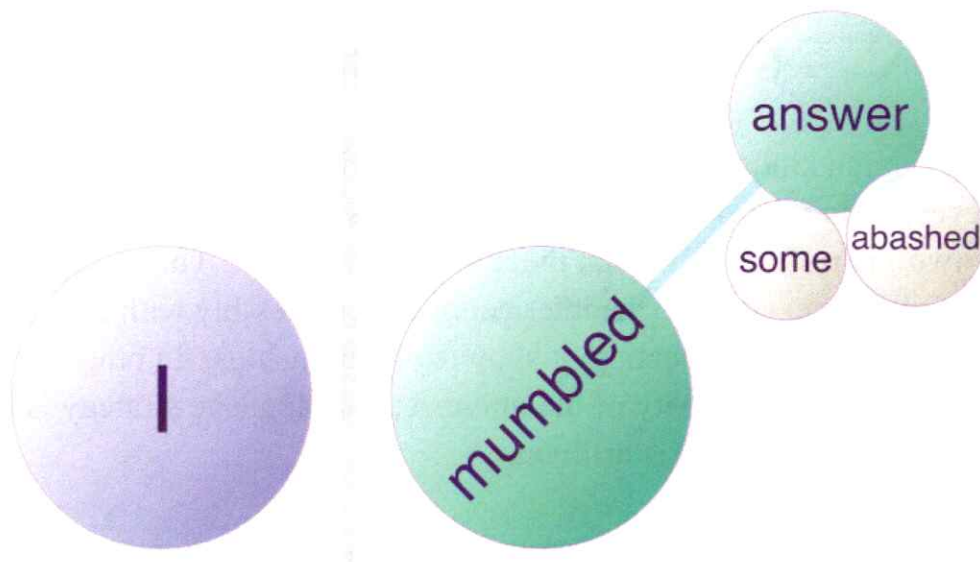




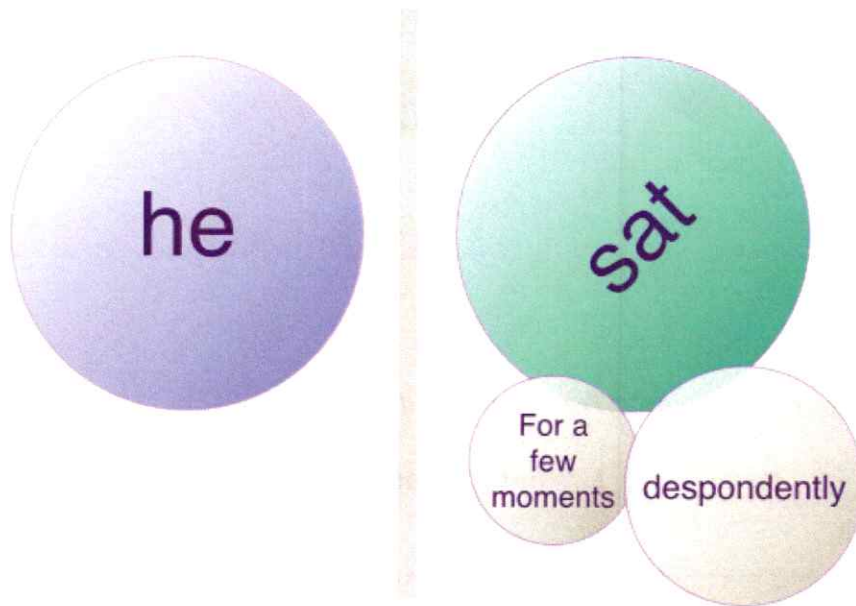
From John Knowles's *A Separate Peace*:

	I	mumbled	some	abashed	answer.
Parts of Speech	pron.	v.	adj.	adj.	n.
Parts of Sentence	subj.	AVP			D.O.
Phrases	no phrases				
Clauses	-----independent clause----- a simple declarative sentence				

Here is a pleasant, clean sentence from John Knowles. We see two adjectives, *some* and *abashed*, both modifying the same noun, *answer*. The verb *mumbled* is an action verb, labeled AVP for action verb predicate. In this sentence the subject is a pronoun, not a noun. Notice that with an action verb, the verb in the t-model slants up.

In *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*, Mildred Taylor wrote, “The dust swelled up in rolls of billowing clouds behind us.” This sentence contains a strong adjective, *billowing*, that modifies the noun *clouds*. Notice that the adjective *billowing* is made out of an *-ing* verb form. We will examine more adjectives like that later.

In his great monster novel *Dracula*, Bram Stoker wrote, “For a few moments he sat despondently.”



Here we see a prepositional phrase, *For a few moments*, acting like an adverb to modify the verb *sat*, and we also see the adverb *despondently* modifying the verb *sat*. Here is an analysis of the parts of speech:

For	a	few	moments	he	sat	despondently.
prep.	adj.	adj.	n.	pron.	v.	adv.
