Sentence Weather Symbols

Every part of speech has its own weather symbol.



Common Noun

A word that names any person, place, or thing.

Examples: teacher, park, book



Proper Noun

A word that names one special person, place, or thing.

Examples: Elena, Texas



Pronoun

A word that takes the place of a noun.

Examples: she, it, they



Verb

A word that shows action or being.

Examples: jump, became, is



Adverb

A word that describes a verb. It tells how, when, or where.

Examples: quickly, very



Adjective

A word that describes a noun.

Examples: blue, enormous



Article

A word that points to a noun.

Examples: a, an, the



Interjection

A word that shows strong feeling.

Examples: wow, oh, hooray



Preposition

A word that shows place or time and connects to a noun.

Examples: under, beside



Conjunction

A word that joins words or groups of words.

Examples: and, but, because

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Sentence Weather: Color and Connections

Color shows tense, case, and type. Arrows show links.

Layer 2: Color Adds Tense, Case and Type



Past tense verb

A red raindrop.
Past tense.



Present tense verb

A blue raindrop.
Present tense.



Future tense verb

A green raindrop.
Future tense.



Subject pronoun

A yellow crescent moon.
Subject pronoun. Marked S.



Object pronoun

A blue crescent moon.
Object pronoun. Marked O.

The shape stays the same.
Color is added later, so students
keep what they have already learned.

Layer 4: How Words Connect

Article points to Noun

the → **dog**

Adverb points to Verb

quickly → **ran**

Adjective points to Noun

brown → **dog**

Pronoun points to Antecedent

she → **Maria**

Helping verb points to Main verb

is → **running**

An arrow points from the helper word to the word it describes or supports.

SUBJECT: the sky (who or what)

PREDICATE: the ground (what happens)

The Sentence Weather Horizon

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Sentence Weather: All Variations

Each subtype is its base shape plus one small add-on.

Read the big shape first (the part of speech), then the small add-on (the variation).



Noun

Plural: small plus by the sun (books)
Possessive: apostrophe ray (dog's)
Concrete: solid filled sun (apple)
Abstract: hollow sun (courage)



Pronoun

Possessive: keyhole inside (mine)
Reflexive: return arrow (myself)
Asking: question mark (who)



Verb

Action: filled raindrop (ran)
Linking: hollow drop plus line (became)
Helping: small drop before large (is running)
Irregular: zigzag inside (went)



Adjective

Plain star (bright)
One sparkle (brighter)
Two sparkles (brightest)
Yellow star: subject. Blue star: predicate.



Article

Outlined dot (a, an)
Filled dot (the)



Interjection

Bolt plus comma (Well,)
Big bolt plus exclamation (Wow!)



Preposition

Outlined cloud (under)
Filled cloud starts a phrase (under the table)



Conjunction

Red band (and, but, or)
Two yellow bands (either, or)
Green band (because, although)

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