

Chapter- 5

Transitive and Intransitive Verbs

STUDY NOTES

- A verb that requires an object to complete its sense is called a transitive verb.
 - Only doing verbs or verbs showing possession need objects.
 - It requires an object to express a complete thought. It transfers the action of the subject onto the object.
- A verb that does not require an object to make sense but makes good sense by itself is called an intransitive verb.
- We can find direct objects by answering: verb + what in a sentence.
- We can find the indirect object by answering: To whom or for whom?

1. Circle the transitive verbs and underline their objects in the following sentences.

- a. He opened the door.
- b. I submitted the assignment on time.
- c. He picked up the fruits.
- d. The naughty kids broke the window.
- e. They quickly crossed the street.
- f. I do not eat spicy food.
- g. He paints houses for a living.
- h. Kishore won a scholarship for a course in Sweden.

2. Identify the direct object and the indirect object in the following sentences.

SENTENCE	DIRECT OBJECT	INDIRECT OBJECT
Zaheer gifted his uncle a coat.	a coat	his uncle

Can you please pass me the salt?	salt	me
Let him have the last slice of the pizza.	pizza	him
I bought these books from him.	books	him
He wrote her a letter.	letter	her
The lady told the children a story.	children	story
I gave him my book.	book	him
I would like to show you my scrapbook.	scrapbook	you

3. Identify the type of verbs in the following sentences. Write T for transitive and IN for intransitive in the blanks.

- We met her in Hyderabad. **T**
- The last train leaves at 10 p.m. **IN**
- My friend eats rice very slowly. **T**
- The principal signed the letter. **T**
- The trees look beautiful in the rain. **IN**
- The homeless man was sleeping on a bench in the park. **IN**
- It was a full moon night. **IN**
- The poor lady blessed the boy as he gave her some food. **T**

4. Circle the verbs in the box that can be used as both transitive and intransitives.

Wash	laugh	smile	cry	dress
Kick	want	throw	arrive	go
Walk	carry	drop	call	follow

5. Rewrite the following sentences by changing the intransitive verbs into transitive verbs by adding a suitable object.

a. The girl is playing basketball.

The girl is playing basketball.

b. I parked outside the garden.

I parked the cycle outside the garden.

c. Aruna nodded in agreement.

Aruna nodded for the assignment in agreement.

d. Don't eat so fast.

Don't eat lunch so fast.

e. He likes to read every day.

He likes to read story books every day.

f. Which team won?

Which team won the tournament?

6. The sentences given below are examples of the conditions given in the table. Indicate the right example against the appropriate condition in the table.

a. The coconut fell on the ground.

b. The sun shone and the birds chirped.

c. The bus hit the lamp post.

d. He pushed the lamp so hard that it broke.

e. We read storybooks while the other children played football.

A sentence with a transitive verb	C
A sentence with an intransitive verb	C
A sentence with two transitive verbs	X
A sentence with a transitive and an intransitive verb	C
A sentence with two transitive verbs	C
