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Simple Predicates

The **complete predicate** of a sentence tells what the subject does or is. It includes the verb and all other details that help describe what is going on.

example: My mother cleaned the living room.

The **simple predicate** is the main verb in the predicate that tells what the subject does.

example: My mother cleaned the living room.

Read each sentence. Draw a line under the complete predicate. Circle the simple predicate.

- 1. Jordan slept on the sofa.
- 2. A tiny mosquito landed on my arm.
- 3. The gray spider spun a beautiful web.
- 4. The window in my bedroom blew open.
- 5. My friends and I played lacrosse in the field behind the school.
- 6. Sara picked up a stick from the ground.
- 7. The brown cow grazed in the meadow.
- 8. Mark sneezed loudly.
- 9. We played darts in the garage.
- 10. Marcia baked a chocolate cake in the oven.
- 11. The candles on the birthday cake burned brightly.
- 12. Isabella opened up her umbrella.

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