

Clause and sentence structure

Tasks

1. Change the meaning of these sentences by changing the subject and the object.

(1) ~~Jonathan~~ ~~loves~~ ~~John~~ = **John loves Jonathan**

(2) ~~Charlie Brown~~ ~~loves~~ ~~the horse~~ = _____

(3) ~~A big~~ ~~black~~ ~~cat~~ = _____

(4) ~~Mrs Jackson~~ ~~taught~~ ~~the cat~~ = _____

(5) ~~The girl~~ ~~loves~~ ~~John~~ = _____

2. Put these words and phrases in thought order to make sentences. The letters in the brackets show the structure of your sentence. It stands for subject, V for verb, O for object, and A for adjective.

(1) a book the dog ate (O-V-O) = **The dog ate a book**

(2) completed last weekend (O-V-A) = **The class completed last weekend**

(3) the cat the mouse caught (O-V-O) = _____

(4) finished last week (O-V-A) = _____

(5) a new school started to open (O-V-A) = _____

(6) the first school ever built (O-V-A) = _____

(7) John (A)ed by the surprised girl (O-V-A) = _____