

WORD ORDER (I)

1. Verb + Object

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| <p><u>Sue</u> <u>bought</u> <u>some new shoes</u> yesterday.</p> <p><i>Subject</i> <i>verb</i> <i>object</i></p> <p>The verb (bought) and the object (some new shoes) are usually together. We say:</p> <p>Sue bought some new shoes yesterday. (not Sue bought yesterday some new shoes)</p> |  <p style="font-size: small; text-align: center;">SUE (subject) SOME NEW SHOES (object)</p> |
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| <p>He speaks I like Did you watch Paul often wears We invited I opened Why do you always make I'm going to borrow</p> | <p>English very well. (not He speaks very well English) Italian food very much. (not I like very much ...) TV all evening? (not ... watch all evening TV) a black hat. (not Paul wears often ...) a lot of people to the party. the door slowly. the same mistake? some money from a friend.</p> |
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2. Where and When

We went | to a party | last night
where? *when?*

Place (where?) is usually before time (when?). We say:
 We went to a party last night. (not ~~We went last night to a party~~)

Place + **time**
 (where?) + (when? how long? how often?)

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| <p>Lisa walks Will you be I usually go We arrived They've lived Joe's father has been</p> | <p>to work at home to bed at the airport in the same house in hospital</p> | <p>every day. this evening? early. at 7 o'clock. for 20 years. since June</p> | <p>(not ... every day to work) (not ... this evening at home) (not ... early to bed)</p> |
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Exercices

Right or wrong? Correct the sentences that are wrong.

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| 1 Did you watch all evening TV? | Did you watch TV all evening? |
| 2 Sue bought some new shoes yesterday. | OK |
| 3 I like very much this picture. | ..... |
| 4 Tom started last week his new job. | ..... |
| 5 I want to speak English fluently. | ..... |
| 6 Jessica bought for her friend a present. | ..... |
| 7 I drink every day three cups of coffee. | ..... |
| 8 Don't eat your dinner too quickly! | |
| 9 I borrowed from my brother fifty pounds. | |

Put the words in order.

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| 1 (the door / opened / I / slowly) | I opened the door slowly. |
| 2 (a new phone / I / last week / got) | I |
| 3 (finished / Paul / quickly / his work) | ..... |
| 4 (Emily / very well / French / doesn't speak) | ..... |
| 5 (a lot of shopping / did / I / yesterday) | ..... |
| 6 (London / do you know / well?) | ..... |
| 7 (we / enjoyed / very much / the party) | ..... |
| 8 (the problem / carefully / I / explained) | ..... |
| 9 (we / at the airport / some friends / met) | ..... |
| 10 (did you buy / in England / that jacket?) | ..... |
| 11 (every day / do / the same thing / we) | |
| 12 (football / don't like / very much / I) | |

Put the words in order.

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| 1 (to work / every day / walks / Lisa) | Lisa walks to work every day. |
| 2 (at the hotel / I / early / arrived) | I |
| 3 (goes / every year / to Italy / Julia) | Julia |
| 4 (we / since 1998 / here / have lived) | We |
| 5 (in London / Sue / in 1990 / was born) | Sue..... |
| 6 (didn't go / yesterday / Paul / to work) | Paul..... |

7 (to a wedding / last weekend / went / Helen)

Helen

8 (I / in bed / this morning / my breakfast / had)

I

9 (in September / Amy / to university / is going)

Amy

10 (I / a beautiful bird / this morning / in the garden / saw)

I

11 (many times / have been / my parents / to the United States)

My

12 (my umbrella / I / last night / left / in the restaurant)

I

13 (to the cinema / tomorrow evening / are you going?)

Are

14 (the children / I / took / this morning / to school)

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WORD ORDER (II)

always/usually/often etc.

These words (always/never etc.) go with the verb in the middle of a sentence:

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| always | ever | also | all |
| usually | never | just | both |
| often | rarely | already | |
| sometimes | seldom | still | |

My brother **never speaks** to me.

She's **always** late.

Do you **often go** to restaurants?

I **sometimes eat** too much. (or Sometimes I eat too much.)

A: Don't forget to phone Laura.

B: I've **already phoned** her.

I've got three sisters. They're **all married**.

Always/never etc. go before the verb:

Verb

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| always often never etc. | go play have etc. | <p>I always drink coffee in the morning. (not I drink always coffee)</p> <p>Helen often goes to London.</p> <p>You sometimes look unhappy.</p> <p>They usually have dinner at 7 o'clock.</p> <p>We rarely watch TV. or</p> <p>We seldom watch TV.</p> <p>Richard is a good footballer. He also plays tennis and volleyball.</p> <p>I've got three sisters. They all live in London.</p> |
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But always/never etc. go after am/is/are/was/were:

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| am | always | I am always tired. (not I always am tired) |
| is | often | They are never at home during the day. |
| are | never | It is usually very cold here in winter. |
| was | etc. | When I was a child, I was often late for school. |
| were | | A: Where's Laura? B: She's still in bed. I've got two brothers. They're both doctors. |

Always/never etc. go between two verbs (have ... been / can ... find etc.):

| <i>verb 1</i> | | <i>verb 2</i> | | |
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| <i>will</i> | always | <i>go</i> | I will always remember you. | |
| <i>can</i> | | <i>find</i> | It doesn't often rain here. | |
| <i>do</i> | | <i>remember</i> | Do you usually go to work by car? | |
| <i>etc.</i> | | <i>etc.</i> | I can never find my keys. | |
| _____ | | never | _____ | Have you ever been to Egypt? |
| <i>have</i> | | etc. | <i>gone</i> | A: Where's Laura? |
| <i>has</i> | | | <i>been</i> | B: She's just gone out. (She's = She has) |
| | | <i>etc.</i> | My friends have all gone to the cinema | |

EXERCICES

Read Oliver's answers to the questions.

Write sentences about Paul with often/never ...

1 Do you ever play tennis? - Yes, often.

Paul often plays tennis.

2 Do you get up early? Yes, always.

He

3 Are you ever late for work? - No, never.

He

4 Do you ever get angry? - Sometimes.

.....

5 Do you ever go swimming? - Rarely.

.....

6 Are you at home in the evenings? - Yes, usually.

.....

Write these sentences with never/always/usually etc.

1 My brother speaks to me. (never)

My brother never speaks to me.

2 Susan is polite. (always)

Susan

3 I finish work at 5 o'clock. (usually)

I

4 Sarah has started a new job. (just)

Sarah

5 I go to bed before midnight. (rarely)

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6 The bus isn't late. (usually)

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7 I don't eat fish. (often)

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8 I will forget what you said. (never)

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9 Have you lost your passport? (ever)

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10 Do you work in the same place? (still)

.....

11 They stay in the same hotel. (always)

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12 Jane doesn't work on Saturdays. (usually)

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13 Is Tina here? (already)

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14 What do you have for breakfast? (usually)

.....

15 I can remember his name. (never)

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Write sentences with also.

1 Do you play football? (tennis)

Yes, and I **also** play tennis.

2 Do you speak Italian? (French)

Yes, and I

3 Are you tired? (hungry)

Yes, and

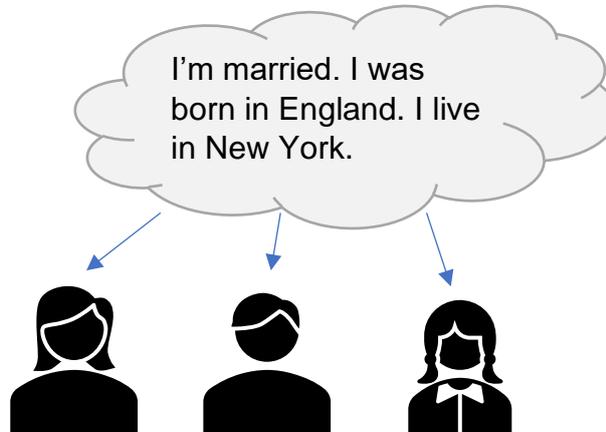
4 Have you been to England? (Ireland)

Yes,

5 Did you buy any clothes? (some books)

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Write sentences with both and all.



They..... married.

They football.

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I live in London.

I play football.

I'm a student.

I've got a car.



I live in London.

I play football.

I've got a car.

I'm a student.

1 They both live in London.

.....students.

.....cars.

.....Paul

Choose the correct answer:

1 Sue..... They are very nice.

- A. bouht yesterday some new shoes
- B. bought some new shoes yesterday
- C. yesterday bought some new shoes.

2 coffee in the morning.

- A. I drink always
- B. Always I drink
- C. I always drink

3 during de day

- A. They are at home never
- B. They are never at home
- C. They never are at home
- D. Never they are at home

4 Where's Emma? – She

- A. Isn't here yet
- B. Isn't here already
- C. Isn't here still

5 I locked the door and I gave

- A. Sarah the keys
- B. To Sarah the keys
- C. The keys Sarah
- D. The keys to Sarah