Word Order

CEFR A1 · Putting words in the right place
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Worksheet 1: Subject + Verb + Object

Name: _____ Date: _____ Level: A1 (CEFR)

Reference: The Basic Order

In English, most sentences follow the order **Subject + Verb + Object** (SVO). The subject comes first, then the verb, then the object. We do not usually drop the subject, and the verb stays between the subject and the object.

Subject	Verb	Object
I	want	an apple.
She	plays	the guitar.
We	like	pizza.
The children	watch	cartoons.

> **Keep the order S → V → O. ✗ Apple I want. → ✓ I want an apple.**

Part A – Put the Words in Order

1. a book / reads / she → _____
2. football / play / we → _____
3. milk / drinks / the baby → _____
4. English / speak / they → _____
5. a car / has / he → _____

Part B – Find the Word Order Mistake

Each sentence is in the wrong order. Rewrite it correctly.

#	Wrong order	Correct order
1	Coffee I like.	
2	Wants she a dog.	
3	The ball kicks the boy.	
4	Homework does he.	
5	Pizza we eat.	

Score: _____ / 20

Worksheet 2: Place & Time at the End

Name: _____ Date: _____ Level: A1 (CEFR)

Reference: Place Before Time

Extra information about **where** and **when** goes at the end of the sentence. The usual order is **Place before Time**: *Subject + Verb + (Object) + Place + Time*.

Subject + Verb (+ Object)	Place	Time
I go	to school	every day.
She works	in an office	on Mondays.
We played	in the park	yesterday.
They eat	at home	in the evening.

> **Place comes before time. ✗ I go every day to school. → ✓ I go to school every day.**

Part A – Put Place and Time in Order

1. She studies (at night / at home). → She studies _____.
2. We travel (in summer / to Italy). → We travel _____.
3. He plays (on Saturdays / at the club). → He plays _____.
4. I sleep (early / in my room). → I sleep _____.

Part B – Build the Whole Sentence

Put all the parts in the correct order.

#	Parts	Sentence
1	every morning / coffee / drinks / at home / she	
2	to the gym / go / on Fridays / we	
3	in the garden / plays / the dog / every day	
4	a film / at the cinema / we / watched / last night	

Score: _____ / 25

Worksheet 3: Questions & Negatives

Name: _____ *Date:* _____ *Level: A1 (CEFR)*

Reference: The Verb Moves or Adds a Helper

For questions with **be**, the verb goes first. With other verbs, add **do/does**. Wh- words (*what, where, when, who*) go at the very start.

Statement	Yes/No question	Wh- question
She is here.	**Is** she here?	Where **is** she?
You like tea.	**Do** you like tea?	What **do** you like?
He works here.	**Does** he work here?	Where **does** he work?

Part A – Put the Question in Order

1. you / do / like / music / ? → _____
2. is / where / the station / ? → _____
3. does / live / she / where / ? → _____
4. are / how / you / ? → _____

Part B – Put the Negative in Order

1. like / don't / I / fish → _____
2. is / not / he / here → _____
3. doesn't / she / coffee / drink → _____

Part C – Correct the Order

1. Where you are? → _____
2. Like you pizza? → _____
3. She not is happy. → _____

Score: _____ / 30

Worksheet 4: Writing

Name: _____ Date: _____ Level: A1 (CEFR)

Part A – Fix the Word Order

#	Wrong sentence	Correction
1	Every day to work I go.	
2	Reads she books at night.	
3	In the park we play football on Sundays.	
4	Where lives your friend?	
5	I not like tea.	

Part B – Build Sentences

Make one correct sentence from each set of words.

1. (he / plays / tennis / at the club / on Mondays) _____
2. (we / watch / TV / at home / in the evening) _____
3. (she / goes / to school / every day) _____

Part C – Writing

Write 5–6 sentences about your week. Use correct **S + V + O** order and put **place before time**. Include at least one question and one negative sentence.

#	Your sentence
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	

Correct order: _____ / 6 Score: _____ / 35

Answer Key & Teacher Notes

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Worksheet 1 – Part A

1 She reads a book. · 2 We play football. · 3 The baby drinks milk. · 4 They speak English. · 5 He has a car.

Worksheet 1 – Part B

1 I like coffee. · 2 She wants a dog. · 3 The boy kicks the ball. · 4 He does homework. / He does his homework. · 5 We eat pizza.

The core A1 point: subject first, verb second, object third — and don't drop the subject.

Worksheet 2 – Part A

1 at home at night · 2 to Italy in summer · 3 at the club on Saturdays · 4 in my room early

Worksheet 2 – Part B

1 She drinks coffee at home every morning. · 2 We go to the gym on Fridays. · 3 The dog plays in the garden every day. · 4 We watched a film at the cinema last night.

Worksheet 3 – Part A

1 Do you like music? · 2 Where is the station? · 3 Where does she live? · 4 How are you?

Worksheet 3 – Part B

1 I don't like fish. · 2 He is not here. · 3 She doesn't drink coffee.

Worksheet 3 – Part C

1 Where are you? · 2 Do you like pizza? · 3 She is not happy.

Worksheet 4 – Part A

1 I go to work every day. · 2 She reads books at night. · 3 We play football in the park on Sundays. · 4 Where does your friend live? · 5 I don't like tea.

Worksheet 4 – Part C: Marking Guide

Criterion	Descriptor	Marks
Basic order	Subject + Verb + Object correct; subject kept	0–4
Place & time	Place before time at the end	0–3
Questions & negatives	Correct inversion / do-support order	0–4
Task & length	5–6 sentences; week described clearly	0–4