

Commands and Questions

- It is difficult to test sentences that are **commands** and **questions** for completeness, because it is unclear whether they have both a **subject** and a **predicate**.

Command → *Please give me more tea.*

- Here, the simple subject (*you*) is not written or spoken. Instead, it is simply “understood”.

Question → *Has the plane landed yet?*

- Sometimes, the predicate comes before the subject. Here, the simple subject (*plane*) separates the two parts of the simple predicate (*has*) and (*landed*).

Directions: In each **command** and a **question**, underline the simple subject and draw a box around the simple predicate. If the subject is understood, write (U) in parentheses after the sentence.

Example: Come to dinner with us tonight! (U)

- 1) Watch out!
- 2) Are we there yet?
- 3) Give me some help.
- 4) Please wash the dishes and do the laundry.
- 5) Is it time to go?
- 6) Please leave.
- 7) Did the engineer build the bridge?
- 8) Ready, set, go!
- 9) Excuse me, do you know what time it is?
- 10) Are you staying here?
- 11) Come home soon.
- 12) Are we almost finished?
- 13) Take your time.
- 14) Are you Mr. McKinley?

Directions: Write a **command** and a **question** on the lines below.

1) _____

2) _____