

Name _____ Period _____ Date _____

Simple and Complete Subjects

Directions: Decide whether the underlined word or word group is the complete subject or the simple subject. Write “CS” for *complete subject* or “SS” for *simple subject*.

Example: SS *The furry little kitten loves to play with the yarn.*

1. _____ Our new puppy came from the humane society.
2. _____ The puppy room was full of cute, lovable dogs.
3. _____ One of the puppies was mutt with soft black fur and big dark eyes.
4. _____ That dog was such a playful, sweet puppy.
5. _____ My brother and I spent most of our time playing with him.

Directions: Underline the complete subject in the following sentences. Then, circle the simple subject.

6. Our parents saw our love for that black puppy.
7. Both of us took turns scratching behind his ears.
8. One of the humane society’s workers gave us a ball to throw for the puppy.
9. Each of us tossed the ball for the puppy to fetch.
10. He never seemed to get tired of the game.
11. Our parents smiled and told the worker “yes”!
12. Stacks of papers had to be filled out to adopt the puppy.
13. Our family was very excited.
14. The little black puppy came home with us the next day.
15. His wagging tail makes us happy.
16. All of us play with the puppy.
17. My brother and I feed him each morning.
18. All of us take him for walks.



Answer Key

1. SS
2. SS
3. CS
4. SS
5. CS

Complete Subject

6. Our parents
7. Both of us
8. One of the humane society's workers
9. Each of us
10. He
11. Our parents
12. Stacks of papers
13. Our family
14. The little black puppy
15. His wagging tail
16. All of us
17. My brother and I
18. All of us

Simple Subject

- parents
- both
- one
- each
- he
- parents
- stacks
- family
- puppy
- tail
- all
- brother, I
- all

