

Sentence wringer

1. Statement? (The Psst! Test)

2. Verb in it?

(I __, you __, he __s)

3. If there is more than one sentence, how are they joined?

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Ex:

We went home.

PRACTICE THE CONVERSATION:

A: Will you please read me the sentence?

B: *We went home.*

A: Does it make a statement?

B: It does.

A: Can you prove that?

B: Psst! David!

David: What?

B: We went home.

A: Did you tell him something?

B: I sure did.

A: Okay. Next . . . does it have a verb?

B: It does. *Home.*

A: Can you prove it?

B: I home, you home, he homes. That's not a verb. Um . . . *went.*

A: Prove it?

B: I went, you went, he wents.

A: It's a verb; it worked in two of those. What's last? Is it more than one statement?

B: Nope, just one.

A: Then it's a correct sentence. Good.

