FOCUS ON GRAMMAR 001

Directions: Identify**only** the subject, the verb, and the direct object for each sentence.

Example: A large dog guards the house across the street.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_dog\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_guards\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_house\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. He visits his parents at least once every few weeks.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Sleeping on this old mattress is hurting my back.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. A young boy played several songs on the piano during the party.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. Fatimah wasn't able to finish her dinner.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. A bee flying around in the backyard stung my son.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. One of the best players at our school is playing the final this time.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. Our neighbors need a new front door.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. Walking long distances in the morning should improve your blood circulation.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. Before the morning rush hour, several snow plows quickly cleared snow from the streets in Baha last month.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. In order to prepare for a career in business, Faisal studied accounting.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / verb or verb phrase: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / direct object: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_