

Stair Steps #6—This assignment is due at the end of the hour.

Please do the work on your own, using only your notes. REACH.

INSTRUCTIONS: On your own paper, work each of the following sentences. Follow the Stair Steps to find all direct objects and indirect objects if there are any. Find all predicate adjectives and predicate nominatives. Make sure you punctuate each step and label each answer correctly. Write neatly, skipping lines between each set of steps. Follow the example I have printed below.

If there is more than one verb in a sentence, you will have to do the steps again. Do the Stair Steps once for every verb in the sentence.

Some of these sentences have new and tricky situations in them. Remember to THINK ABOUT THE QUESTIONS and APPLY THEM ACCURATELY TO THE SENTENCES.

...and remember: DON'T BE FOOLED!

Remember when Clark gave his teacher a sample of pond water? These sentences are related to that incident.

~~On Tuesday, at the pond behind the school,~~ Clark gave his teacher a sample of pond water, and she was very happy.

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| What's happening? | gave A.V. |
| Who/what gave? | Clark SUBJ. |
| Clark gave what? | sample D.O. |
| Clark gave sample to/for whom? | teacher I.O. |
| What's happening? | was L.V. |
| Who/what was? | she SUBJ. |
| What renames she? | NO P.N. |
| What describes she? | happy P.A. |

1. Later, in the classroom, Clark gave an explanation to the class.
2. He told them, "They're green and icky." (2)
(One of these verbs has a LONG direct object with another verb inside of it.)
3. The class screamed in horror.
4. Martha brought Clark a sample of algae from the pond.
5. It meant a lot to him, and she knew it. (2)
7. Clark became the guy in charge of algae collection at the pond.
8. Clark gave Martha some more information about the algae sample, like its pH level, its chemical make-up and its approximate age.
9. Martha became an expert in pond algae, too, and Clark liked her a lot. (2)
10. Clark asked Martha to be his date for formal, but Martha already had a date. (3)
(This one is tricky. One verb is an infinitive phrase which will not have a subject, but you need to work it just the same.)