

# Shurley Grammar Jingles – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

## **Jingle 1: SENTENCE JINGLE**

A sentence, sentence, sentence  
Is complete, complete, complete  
When five simple rules it meets, meets, meets.

It has a subject, subject, subject  
And a verb, verb, verb.  
It makes sense, sense, sense  
With every word, word, word.

Add a capital letter, letter  
And an end mark, mark.  
Now, we're finished, and aren't we smart!  
Now our sentence has all its parts!

### **REMEMBER:**

Subject (clap, clap); Verb (clap, clap); Complete sense (clap, clap, clap);  
Capital letter, and an end mark, too.  
That's what a sentence is all about!

## **Jingle 2: NOUN JINGLE (sung to the tune of "This Old Man")**

This little noun  
Floating around  
Names a person, place, or thing.  
With a knick, knack, paddy-whack,  
These are English rules.  
Isn't language fun and cool?

## **Jingle 3: VERB JINGLE**

A verb, a verb. What is a verb?  
Haven't you heard?  
There are two kinds of verbs:  
The action verb and the linking verb.

The action verb shows a state of action,  
Like stand and sit and smile.  
The action verb is always doing  
Because it tells what the subject does.  
We stand! We sit! We smile!

The linking verb is a state of being.  
Like am, is, are, was, and were,  
Look, become, grows, and feels.  
A linking verb shows no action  
Because it tells what the subject is.  
He is a clown. He looks funny.

#### **Jingle 4: ADVERB JINGLE**

An adverb modifies a **verb, adjective, or another adverb.**

An adverb asks, "**How? When? Where?**"

To find an adverb, GO, ASK, GET.

Where do I GO? To a verb, adjective, or another adverb.

What do I ASK? How? When? Where?

What do I GET? An adverb! (clap) That's what!

#### **Jingle 5: ADJECTIVE JINGLE**

An adjective modifies a **noun or a pronoun.**

An adjective asks, "**What kind? Which one? How many?**"

To find an adjective, GO, ASK, GET.

Where do I GO? To the noun or the pronoun.

What do I ASK? What kind? Which one? How many?

What do I get? An adjective! (clap) That's what!

#### **Jingle Z: ARTICLE ADJECTIVE JINGLE**

We are the article adjectives!

Teeny, tiny adjectives!

A, AN, THE

A, AN, THE

We are called article adjectives and noun markers.

We are memorized and used every day.

So if you spot us, you can mark us

With the label "A".

We are the article adjectives!

Teeny, tiny adjectives!

A, AN, THE

A, AN, THE

#### **Jingle 6: THE PREPOSITION JINGLE**

A PREP PREP PREPOSITION

Is a special group of words

That connects a

NOUN, NOUN, NOUN

Or a PRO PRO PRONOUN

To the rest of the sentence.

#### **Jingle 7: OBJECT OF THE PREPOSITION JINGLE**

Dum De Dum Dum!

An O-P is a N-O-U-N or a P-R-O

After the P-R-E-P

In a S-E-N-T-E-N-C-E.

Dum De Dum Dum - Done!

## **Jingle 8: PREPOSITION FLOW (The 49 Prepositions Jingle)**

1. Preposition, Preposition

Starting with an A.

(Fast)

aboard, about, above,

across, after, against,

(Slow)

along, among, around, at.

2. Preposition, Preposition

Starting with a B.

(Fast)

before, behind, below,

beneath, beside, between,

(Slow)

beyond, but, by.

3. Preposition, Preposition

Starting with a D.

down (slow & long),

during (snappy).

4. Preposition, Preposition

Don't go away.

Go to the middle

And see what we say.

E-F-I and L-N-O

except, for, from,

in, inside, into,

like, near, of,

off, on, out,

outside, over.

5. Preposition, Preposition

Almost through.

Start with P and end with W.

past, since, through,

throughout, to, toward,

under, underneath,

until, up, upon,

with, within, without.

6. Preposition, Preposition

Easy as can be.

We're all finished,

And aren't you pleased?

We've just recited

All 49 of these.

**Jingle 9: PRONOUN (sung to the tune of "This Old Man")**

This little pronoun,  
Floating around,  
Takes the place of a little old noun.  
With a knick knack paddy wack,  
These are English rules.  
Isn't language fun and cool?

**Jingle 10: SUBJECT PRONOUN**

There are seven subject pronouns  
That are easy as can be:  
I and we, (clap twice)  
He and she, (clap twice)  
It and they and you. (clap three)

**Jingle 11: POSSESSIVE PRONOUN**

There are seven possessive pronouns  
That are easy as can be:  
My and our, (clap twice)  
His and her, (clap twice)  
Its and their and your. (clap three)

**Jingle 12: THE EIGHT PARTS OF SPEECH JINGLE**

Want to know how to write?  
Use the eight parts of speech – They're dynamite!

Nouns, Verbs, and Pronouns – They rule!  
They're called the NVP's, and they're really cool!

The Double A's are on the move;  
Adjectives and Adverbs help you groove!

Next come the PIC's, and then we're done!  
The PIC's are Preposition, Interjection, and Conjunction!

All together now, the eight parts of speech, abbreviations please:  
NVP, AA, PIC - NVP, AA, PIC!

### **Jingle 13:**

#### **THE 23 HELPING VERBS OF THE MEAN, LEAN VERB MACHINE JINGLE**

These 23 helping verbs will be on my test.

I gotta remember them so I can do my best.

I'll start out with 8 and finish with 15;

Just call me the mean, lean verb machine.

There are 8 be verbs that are easy as can be:

am, is, are – was and were,

am, is, are – was and were,

am, is, are – was and were,

All together now, the 8 be verbs:

am, is, are – was and were – be, being, and been,

am, is, are – was and were – be, being, and been.

There're 23 helping verbs, and I've recited only 8.

That leaves fifteen more that I must relate:

has, have, and had – do, does, and did,

has, have, and had – do, does, and did,

might, must, may – might, must, may.

Knowing these verbs will save my grade:

can and could – would and should,

can and could – would and should,

shall and will, - shall and will.

In record time, I did this drill.

I'm the mean, lean verb machine – STILL!

### **Jingle 14: OBJECT PRONOUN JINGLE**

There are seven object pronouns

That are easy as can be:

Me and us, (clap two times)

Him and her, (clap two times)

It and them and you. (clap three times)

### **Jingle 15: DIRECT OBJECT JINGLE**

A direct object is a noun or pronoun.

A direct object completes the meaning of the sentence.

A direct object is located after the verb-transitive.

To find the direct object ask WHAT or WHOM after the verb.

### **Jingle 16: INDIRECT OBJECT JINGLE**

An indirect object is a noun or a pronoun.

An indirect object receives what the direct object names.

An indirect object is located between the verb-transitive and the direct object.

To find the indirect object, ask TO WHOM or FOR WHOM after the direct object.

**Jingle 17A: PREDICATE NOUN JINGLE**

A predicate noun is a noun or a pronoun.

A predicate noun means the same thing as the subject word.

A predicate noun is located after a linking verb.

To find the predicate noun ask WHAT or WHO after the verb.

**Jingle 17B: PREDICATE NOUN JINGLE**

Listen, my comrades, and you shall hear

About predicate nouns from far and near.

No one knows the time or year

When the predicate nouns will appear.

Listen now to all the facts,

So you will know when the Pred's are back!

Dum De Dum Dum!

A predicate noun is a special noun in the predicate

That means the same thing as the subject word.

To find a predicate noun, ask *what* or *who*

After a linking verb.