

Grammar and Composition: 2

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Two kinds of sentences

- clausal sentences
 - (1) a. Kim is an actor.
b. Sam is an architect.
- compound (cf. coordinators: FANBOYS;)
 - (2) a. Kim is an actor, but Pat is a teacher.
b. Kim is an actor, and Pat is an architect.

word, phrase, and clauses

- subject, predicate, object, modifier

(3)

Things change/People complained about it.
Kim left the school early.

- head, complements, modifiers (NP, VP, AP, PP, etc)

(4) a. This is good for clients.

b. Some people complained about it.

functions and categories

- functions: subject, predicate, objects, modifiers
 - NP, VP, AP, AdvP, PP
- (5) a. His guilt was obvious.
b. That he was guilt was obvious.
- (6) a. Some customers complained.
b. Kim insulted some customers.

words vs. lexemes

- words: different forms
 - lexemes: different forms of the same word
- (7) They had two cats and a dog; one cat kept attacking the dog.

parts of speech

- noun, verb, adjective, det, adverb, preposition
(8) The big dog barked loudly in the yard.
- coordinator and subordinator
(9) a. I got up and left.
b. The don't know if you're serious.

nouns

- meaning: cat, tiger, man, diamond vs. absence, manliness, idea
- inflection: cat, cats, tiger, tigers, man, men....
- distribution

verbs

- meaning: denote a situation
 - (10) a. The building collapsed.
 - b. They know the rules.
- form: present, past (preterite)
 - (11) a. She works in Paris. They work in Paris.
 - b. He worked in Paris. He knew the answer.
- auxiliary vs. main verbs: NICE

adjectives

- attributive vs. predicative
(12) a. We need some hot soup.
b. The soup is hot.
- gradability/inflection: old, older, oldest

det, adv, prep, coordinator

- Det: the dog, a dog, this dog, few dog,
- Adv: carefully, certainly, vs. almost, often, quite...
- Preposition: at, on, under,
- coordinators: coordinating and subordinating

complements vs. modifier

- complements: objects and predicative complement

(13) a. I met a friend of yours.

b. I felt a real idiot.

- modifier

(14) I met a friend of yours last night

Homework

- Do exercises 1, 2, 3,4
- Read chapter 3