

## Module 1: SENTENCE STRUCTURE - TYPES OF SENTENCES



### A. English sentence structure:

The following statements are true about sentences in English:

1. A new sentence begins with a **capital letter**.

E.g.: ***H**e obtained his degree.*

2. A sentence ends with **punctuation** (a period, a question mark, or an exclamation point).

E.g.: *He obtained his degree. / Is this website safe?*

3. A sentence contains a subject that is only given **once**.

E.g.: *~~Smith~~ he obtained his degree.*

4. A sentence contains **a verb** or **a verb phrase**.

E.g.: *He **obtained** his degree.*

5. A sentence follows **Subject + Verb + (Object)** word order.

E.g.: ***He** (subject) **obtained** (verb) **his degree** (object).*

6. A sentence must have **a complete idea** that stands alone. This is also called an independent clause.

E.g.: *He obtained his degree. (an independent clause)*

(x) *Because he reads many books. (a dependent clause, not a complete sentence)*

### B. Types of sentences

#### 1. Simple Sentences

- A simple sentence contains **a subject and a verb**, and it may also have an object and modifiers. However, it contains only one independent clause.



