



Well-Ordered Language Teacher Training Level 4A with Tammy Peters

Chapter 1: Principal Elements & Modifiers

Outline:

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- Level 1: Beginning grammar
- Level 2: Intermediate grammar
- Level 3: Advanced grammar
- Level 4: Intensive grammar
- Sentence: Weary Johnny is yawning uncontrollably.
 - (First, read the sentence aloud.) “Weary Johnny is yawning uncontrollably.”
 - “This is a sentence, and it is declarative.”
 - “This sentence is about Johnny. So, Johnny is the subject because it is what the sentence is about.” (Underline the subject and write S above it.)
 - “This sentence tells us that Johnny is yawning. So, is yawning is the predicate because it is what the sentence tells us about Johnny. It is a predicate verb because it shows action. There is no linking verb because predicate verbs do not need linking verbs.” (Double underline the helping verb and the predicate verb and write PV above the action verb.) “Is is the helping verb because it helps the verb.” (Write hv above the helping verb.)
 - “Uncontrollably tells us how Johnny is yawning. So, uncontrollably is an adverbial element because it modifies a verb. It is an adverb.” (Draw the modifying lines and write adv in the elbow opposite the line with the arrow.)
 - “Weary tells us what kind of Johnny. So, weary is an adjectival element because it modifies a noun. It is an adjective.” (Draw the modifying lines and write adj in the elbow opposite the line with the arrow.)

