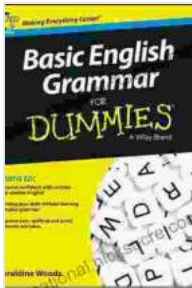


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English grammar is the set of rules that govern the structure of English sentences. It includes rules for word order, verb tenses, and punctuation. Good grammar is essential for clear and effective communication in English.

This guide is designed to help you learn the basics of English grammar. It will cover everything from the parts of speech to the different types of sentences. Whether you're a native English speaker or a learner, this guide will help you improve your grammar skills.

The Parts of Speech

The parts of speech are the basic building blocks of English grammar. There are eight parts of speech: nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives,

adverbs, prepositions, conjunctions, and interjections.

- **Nouns** are words that name people, places, things, or ideas.
- **Pronouns** are words that take the place of nouns.
- **Verbs** are words that describe actions or states of being.
- **Adjectives** are words that describe nouns and pronouns.
- **Adverbs** are words that describe verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs.
- **Prepositions** are words that show the relationship between a noun or pronoun and another word in the sentence.
- **Conjunctions** are words that connect words, phrases, or clauses.
- **Interjections** are words that express strong emotions.

Sentence Structure

A sentence is a group of words that expresses a complete thought. Every sentence must have a subject and a verb. The subject is the person or thing that is performing the action or being described. The verb is the word that describes the action or state of being.

There are four main types of sentences:

- **Declarative sentences** make a statement.
- **Interrogative sentences** ask a question.
- **Imperative sentences** give a command or instruction.
- **Exclamatory sentences** express strong emotion.

Verb Tenses

Verb tenses are used to indicate the time of an action or event. There are six main verb tenses in English:

- **Present simple** - used for actions that are happening now or habits.
- **Present continuous** - used for actions that are happening right now.
- **Present perfect** - used for actions that started in the past and continue to the present.
- **Past simple** - used for actions that happened in the past.
- **Past continuous** - used for actions that were happening at a specific time in the past.
- **Past perfect** - used for actions that happened before another action in the past.

Punctuation

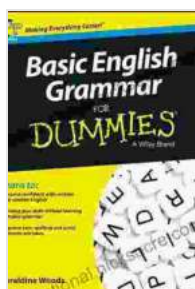
Punctuation is used to add clarity and meaning to sentences. The most common punctuation marks include:

- **Period** - used to end declarative sentences.
- **Question mark** - used to end interrogative sentences.
- **Exclamation mark** - used to end exclamatory sentences.
- **Comma** - used to separate items in a list, clauses in a sentence, and to set off introductory elements.
- **Semicolon** - used to separate independent clauses that are closely related.

- **Colon** - used to introduce a list, a quotation, or an explanation.
- **Dash** - used to set off a parenthetical element or to emphasize a word or phrase.
- **Parentheses** - used to enclose additional information or comments.

This guide has provided you with a basic overview of English grammar. By understanding the parts of speech, sentence structure, verb tenses, and punctuation, you will be well on your way to mastering the English language.

For more in-depth information on English grammar, please consult a grammar book or online resource.

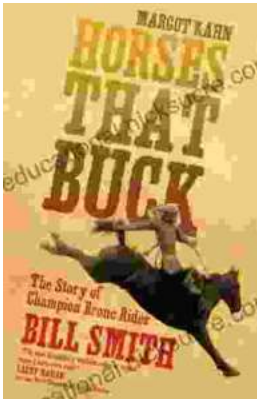


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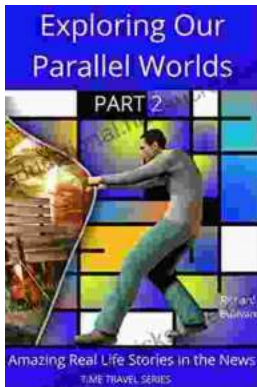
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