

Exercise 3.

A.

Write out the following sentences, drawing a single line under the *simple subject*, and a double line under the *simple predicate*.

Model.—The elephant surpasses all other land animals in size.

1. The elephant surpasses all other land animals in size. 2. The cuckoo builds no nest for herself. 3. Vast prairies stretch beyond the Red River. 4. Before our house a prattling river runs. 5. A herd of cattle grazed in a meadow. 6. The timid bird saw the snake in the grass. 7. My father's fields produce corn. 8. Those pears may ripen on the wall. 9. Diogenes lived in a tub.

B.

Write a sentence on each of the following words. Draw a single line under the *principal word* in the subject (noun), and a double line under the *principal word* in the predicate (verb).

1. Face. 2. Crocodile. 3. King.

Change papers, and see—

1. Whether the spelling is correct. 2. Whether each sentence begins with a capital. 3. Whether each sentence ends with a period. 4. Whether there are any other improvements that you can make.

VI.—KINDS OF WORDS.

I. Nouns.—Whatever we can think of or say anything about, has a name, and a *name* is a *noun*.

EXAMPLES.—*Hot, thunder, sugar, rose, pain, Hamilton, St. Lawrence, Joseph, Harriet, Harry, virtue, goodness, wisdom, bravery.* Now, all these *names* are nouns.