

## Predicate Nominative

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Find the verb, subject and predicate nominatives in these sentences.

1. Ann is a new mother.
2. The black dog in the yard was a large Doberman.
3. The tall boy has been our best basketball player.
4. My uncle became a rich computer expert.
5. Mr. Bush may be our next President.

### Lesson 102 - Parts of the Sentence - Predicate Nominative

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List the subject, verb and predicate nominatives in the following sentences.

1. My favorite pets were a squirrel and a rabbit.
2. Our chief crops are corn, wheat, and hay.
3. Mr. Jones is an accountant and a big game hunter.
4. The owners of the race car include Bill, Pete, and Sam.
5. My favorite holidays are Christmas and Easter.

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Find the subjects, verbs, and predicate nominatives in these sentences. Some may have compound subjects, verbs, or predicate nominatives.

1. One traitor and enemy to his country was Benedict Arnold.
2. Two loved Presidents were Lincoln and Washington.
3. A ruby is a beautiful stone.
4. The roads in the mountains can be long dusty trails.
5. The location to the mine was and still is a secret.

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Find the subjects, verbs, and predicate nominatives in these sentences. Some may have compound subjects, verbs, or predicate nominatives. Some may not have a predicate nominative.

1. Abbott and Costello were famous actors and a comedy team.
2. Radio and television have become old inventions and household necessities.
3. Many neglected children become really unhappy grownups.
4. The car has been here for a long time.
5. She was a model and became a movie star.