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Indirect Objects

An **indirect object** is a noun or pronoun that follows an action verb. Indirect objects tell *to whom* or *for whom* the action of the verb is done.

For a sentence to have an indirect object, it must first have a direct object.

An indirect object is usually placed between the action verb and the direct object.

Examples:

The vet sent *me* a reminder to bring my dogs in for their shots.

Before we left, I gave *each dog* a warning about politeness.



Underline the verb in each sentence. Write the direct object on the first line and the indirect object on the second.

1. My parents promised me riding lessons at the local stable.

2. My awkward attempts only won me a horse laugh from the riding mistress.

3. This dictionary of horse lore offers readers some interesting trivia about horses.

4. For example, a wooden horse gave the people of Troy quite a surprise.

5. And many years ago, Britons fed horses chestnuts as medicine.

6. Our teacher told the class the story of the mythical horse Pegasus.

7. In many fables, wise horses give their foolish masters important warnings.



Write one sentence with each verb. Include a direct and indirect object in each one. You may use any verb tense.

8. bring _____

9. buy _____

10. hand _____

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Answer Key

1. promised; lessons; me
2. won; laugh; me
3. offers; trivia; readers
4. gave; surprise; people
5. fed; chestnuts; horses
6. told; story; class
7. give; warnings; masters
- 8.–10. Sentences will vary.

