## WORD ORDER Word order is part of "meaning."

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Word order in English sentence is SVC(subj/verb). Thats why a difficult sentence becomes easier to understand if you stop and identify these key words.

Unlike English, some languages use endings or inflections at the end of words to show their use in a sentence. They add a prefix or suffix to indicate a <u>complement</u>.

Iwinsh i-wina-sha tawn-kan. The man is going to town.

What is a complement? It is the completion of the action of the verb. Verbs are the part of speech that makes sentences "go", it expresses action.

**Concept 1.** Bare bone sentence  $\wedge ------ + \wedge \wedge \wedge \wedge \wedge = \cdot$  (period)

Skills 1. Sentence

- 2. Subject (noun)
- 3. Action of the subject (verb)
- 4. Substitute namer (pronoun)

Diagram of Sentence Expansion

## SAHAPTIN:

- 1. K'usik'usi i wahwak-sha.
- 2. Nch'i anawit k'usik'usi i-wahwak-a.
- 3. Tom-nmi nch'i anawit k'usi'kusi a-wahwaka.
- 4. Tom-nmi nch'i anawit k'usi'kusi anachnik iniitpa a-wahwaka.

## **ENGLISH:**

- 1. The dog is barking.
- 2. The big hungry dog barked.
- 3. Tom's big hungry dog barked.
- 4. Tom's big hungry dog, in the back of the house, barked.
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