

**Assignment 3.1:
The Subject Requirement**

1. Highlight the **subjects** of the following clauses.

*e.g. **The director** called to inform me of the changes.*

- a) A broken trumpet was held together with blue tape.
- b) Mr. Wang had emerged as the ideological counselor to Chinese leaders.
- c) Working seven days a week, they opened at 7 a.m., in time for customers to pick up the morning newspaper.
- d) Together, we will usher in a bright new future of wonder and wealth.
- e) A few modestly scaled movies coming out this week have been positively reviewed.

2. Write two examples of clauses with a finite verb in **imperative mood**.
(*Clauses with finite verbs in imperative mood do not have stated subjects)

e.g. Decorate the Christmas tree!

- a) _____
- b) _____

3. Write a viable **subject** for each of these incomplete clauses. Remember that the subject of a finite verb in **active voice** is the **actor** of the finite verb.

e.g. Every evening cooks dinner for ten people.

*Every evening, **my mom** cooks dinner for ten people.*

- a) This year will get 1.5 hours of extra sleep every morning.

- b) With his tweet on Saturday, is enough evidence that he is trying to obstruct justice.

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- c) Because of the original law, ultimately can order the end of any investigation.

- d) In the competition yesterday did fairly well, winning five races.

- e) In many ways is an ordinary 11-year-old girl.

4. Write a viable **subject** for each of these incomplete clauses. Remember that the subject of a finite verb in **passive voice** is the **recipient** of the finite verb.

e.g. In the kitchen is being prepared.

→ In the kitchen, the Christmas dinner is being prepared.

- a) Even today are monitored by internet service providers.

- b) Have been picked to act in the new TV show directed by Wong Kar Wai.

- c) At the end of the last episode was fired from his job after doing something wrong.

- d) Through the bake sale has been raised for donation to a charity.

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- e) On this foundation is built.

5. The following sentences violate the **subject requirement**. Correct them in any viable way.

- a) First, must read the instructions carefully.

- b) Since his first day in office has been heavily criticized by the media.

- c) In order to get this funding need to write a five-page proposal.

- d) These writers the MacArthur Foundation has named them “MacArthur Geniuses”.

- e) In this heavily deforested forest, one million trees cut down.
