

Predicate Adjectives

A predicate adjective (also called a subject complement) modifies the subject like other descriptive adjectives, but it must follow a linking verb in a sentence. A list of linking verbs is given below. These verbs are linking verbs only if they are followed by adjectives, nouns, or pronouns that rename the subject.

Example: This cake is good. (*good* cake)
Her hair looks so shiny. (*shiny* hair)

Linking Verbs				
is	grow	look	smell	remain
become	turn	feel	taste	keep
seen	prove	sound	appear	stay

Underline the predicate adjective. Draw an arrow to the subject (noun or pronoun) that it modifies.

1. Sarah looks older with makeup.
2. The children remained calm.
3. You are unreasonable.
4. You are patient today.
5. Babette grew tired of waiting.
6. _____ grew weary from the complaints.
7. Robert seems cheerful today.
8. The gumbo tasted great.
9. That idea sounds wonderful.
10. The roses smelled fragrant.
11. We remained calm.
12. The weather will turn cold this evening.