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Grammar: Complements

A **complement** completes something.

In a sentence, a complement is the word or words in the predicate that renames or describes the subject.

Complements follow **linking verbs**. Common linking verbs include the words am, is, are, was, were, be, being, been, seem, become, look, appear, taste, smell, sound, and feel.

Complements can be nouns or adjectives.

examples: Richard's new boat is a kayak.

is - linking verb

kayak - complement (a noun that renames the boat)



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2. Mr. Hernandez was our soccer coach.
3. That soup tastes too salty.
4. The new student seems shy.
5. The evening clouds were gray.
6. The waves are very choppy this morning.
7. The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.
8. I am a smart student!
9. My favorite subject is history.
10. That old sneaker smells moldy.

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