

## Grammar Practice

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*PART 1: In each sentence below, UNDERLINE the **COMPLETE SUBJECT** and **CIRCLE** the **SIMPLE SUBJECT**.*

1. Over two thousand Native Americans live on the Spokane Indian reservation.
2. One of the characters in *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* is a boy named Junior.
3. Award-winning author Sherman Alexie chronicles the contemporary adolescence of one unlucky boy.
4. This 230-page novel tells the story of Junior's love for drawing, as well as his struggles with medical issues.
5. An all-white school in the neighboring farm town only has two Native Americans on campus: Junior and the mascot.

*PART 2: In each sentence below, UNDERLINE the **COMPLETE PREDICATE** and **CIRCLE** the **SIMPLE PREDICATE**.*

1. When I was twelve, I fell in love with an Indian girl named Dawn.
2. She was tall and brown and was the best traditional powwow dancer on the rez.
3. Her braids, wrapped in otter fur, were legendary.
4. Of course, she didn't care about me.
5. One night, at about two in the morning, when Rowdy slept over at my house, I made a full confession.

*PART 3: Label each **CLAUSE** below as **I (independent)** or **D (dependent)**:*

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Even though I didn't think I'd ever hear back
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. I wanted to send an e-mail to Rowdy
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. I walked over to the computer lab
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. While it was closed
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Which was a disappointment