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**Lesson 6.5 Direct Objects**

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**EXERCISE 1 Identifying Action Verbs  
and Direct Objects**

Circle the action verbs, and underline the direct object(s) in each sentence.

**Hint**

Action verbs tell what the subject does or did. To find the direct object, ask *whom?* or *what?* after the action verb.

**EXAMPLE** Gina made the shot.

1. Gina shook her head back and forth.
2. Her team, the Panthers, had won the championship.
3. She scanned the cheering crowd in the gym.
4. Finally, she spotted her friends and flashed a huge smile.
5. Happy fans hugged, led cheers, and took photos.

**EXERCISE 2 Recognizing Direct Objects**

Only one sentence in each pair contains a direct object. Underline the direct object, and circle the sentence number.

**EXAMPLE** (1a) The players threw the ball in the air.

1b. The panther team yelled loudly.

- 1a. The school hired a new basketball coach last summer.
- 1b. Coach Ortiz gets along well with everybody.
  
- 2a. She held team practices every day after school.
- 2b. The Panthers improved quickly.
  
- 3a. The coach speaks softly.
- 3b. Gina and her friends liked the coach right away.
  
- 4a. However, the Panthers started slowly.
- 4b. They lost two games to the Braves.
  
- 5a. Luckily, the girls kept playing hard.
- 5b. They tied the school record of nine straight wins in December.