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Lesson 6.5 Direct Objects

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Hint

Make it easier to find direct objects by crossing out prepositional phrases. A direct object is never in a prepositional phrase.

EXERCISE 1 Identifying Direct Objects

Underline the direct object(s) in each sentence. If a sentence does not contain a direct object, write *N*.

1. Many centuries ago, Mayan Indians built a magnificent civilization in South and Central America.
2. People admire the culture's achievements in many fields, such as writing, architecture, and astronomy.
3. The Maya developed an advanced form of writing with pictures and symbols.
4. They built beautiful stone temples with wide staircases, such as El Castillo, which was built between the eleventh and thirteenth centuries.
5. Carvings and bright colors decorated temple walls and pottery vases.
6. Mayan architects used limestone for many of their elaborate palaces and other pyramid-shaped structures.
7. NASA archaeologists use satellites to pinpoint ancient Mayan ruins.
8. Many structures remain half-buried in the dense jungles of countries such as Guatemala, Belize, and Honduras.
9. Ancient priests accurately predicted eclipses of the sun and tracked the orbits of planets.
10. Ruins, temples, and cave sites are popular destinations for many tourists in South America.

EXERCISE 2 Using Direct Objects

Write five sentences about a subject you've heard about in the news or studied in one of your classes. Include at least one direct object in each sentence.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____