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## PREFACE.

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No subject taught in our schools is more interesting, or better adapted to awaken thought in the youthful mind, than that of language, when properly presented.

This little book has been written with the hope of making this branch of school study less difficult, more attractive, and more useful to young pupils.

The work is elementary. It is designed to be used in the lower grades of schools, and to prepare the pupil for the study of larger works on language and grammar.

It consists of a series of lessons, treating of the parts of speech and their uses, of the simple sentence in its various forms, fully illustrated by practical exercises composed of common words in daily use, so that pupils are gradually, and almost unconsciously, led on to a knowledge of the correct use of their own language.

It also contains practical lessons on spelling, capital letters, and punctuation.

Directions for letter-writing are briefly and clearly stated and illustrated.

The principles of analysis and synthesis are concisely stated, followed by brief methods of parsing.

Of the merits of the book, use in the schoolroom must be the test.

G. H. R.

MELROSE, MASS., January, 1887.

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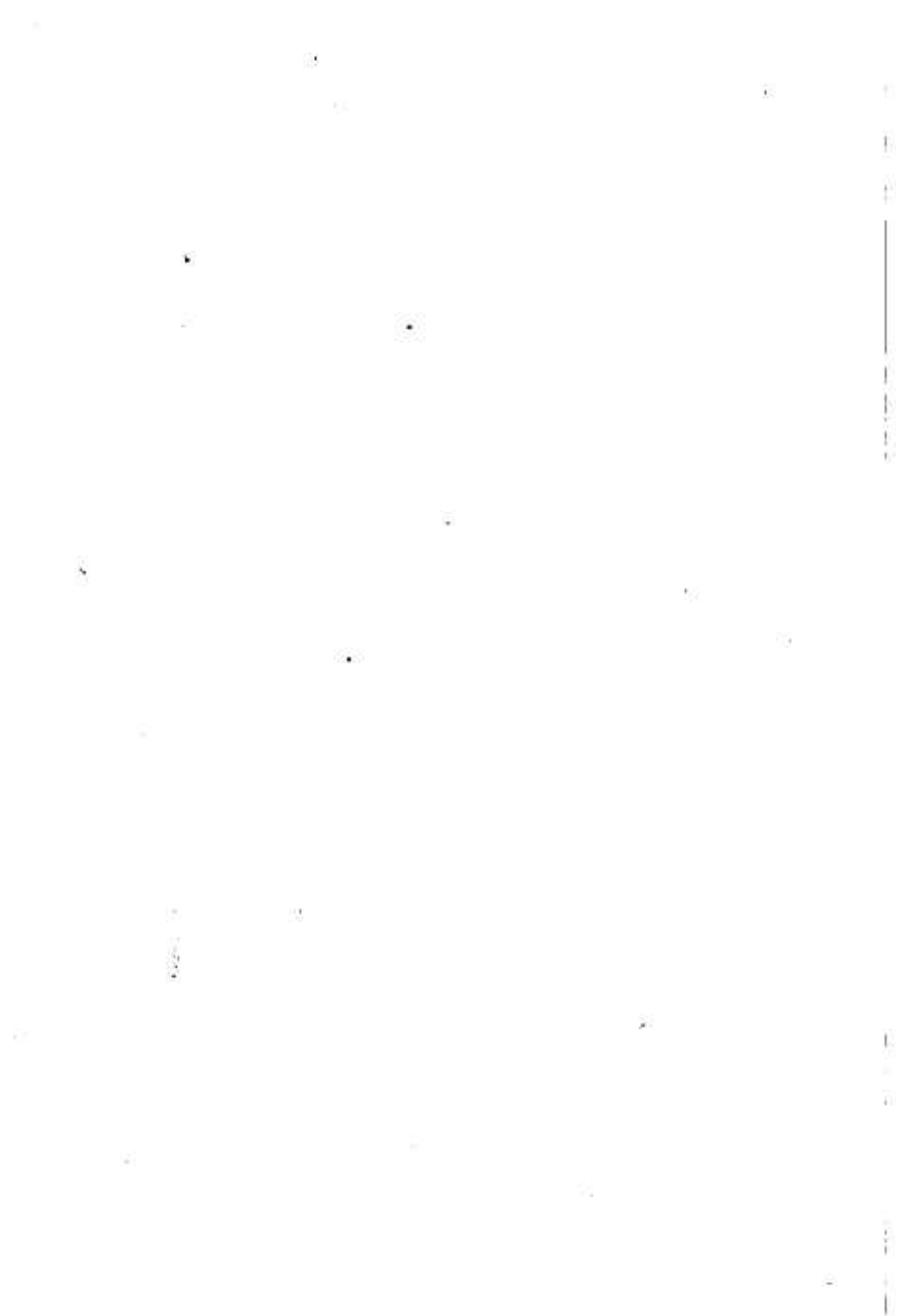


Figure 1

Practise your English grammar with clear grammar explanations and practice exercises to test your understanding. All learners, whatever their level, have questions and doubts about grammar as they're learning English and this guide helps to explain the verb tenses and grammar rules in a clear and simple way. Choose your level, from beginner to advanced, and start learning today by reading the explanations and doing the exercises. By revising and practising your grammar you Improve your grammar with 6 Minute Grammar (Intermediate), our grammar series for intermediate level learners. On this page you'll find a range of intermediate grammar programmes to boost your grammar skills and links to our beginner grammar and advanced grammar resources.Â Courses Features Grammar Vocabulary Pronunciation News Business For Teachers For Children Quizzes Our App. Search. English My Way (basic)Courses. Welcome to EnglishGrammar.org! Here youâ€™ll learn all aspects of written English so you can improve your writing skills in both personal and formal communications. Whether youâ€™re starting with the basics or want to understand complex topics, we have everything covered. How to Get Started.Â Download our free guide, â€œ120 Grammar and Vocabulary Mistakes to Avoid,â€ by entering your information into the signup form. This grammar guide, updated for 2021, is our most complete offline resource. Stay in Touch. English grammar is the key to understanding and mastering English. English grammar is different from Russian grammar. Some things are easier; for example, English verb conjugation is much simpler. Other things are more difficult; for example, the system of English tenses is rather complicated.