



The Phrase

There are certain groups of words that make partial sense when used together, but they cannot make complete sense.

Read the following sentences:

- (i) in the morning
- (ii) with a stick
- (iii) in the basket.

Do the above groups of words make sense? No, they make partial sense but not complete sense.

Now read the following sentences :

- (i) The children are going to school **in the morning**.
- (ii) The old man walks **with a stick**.
- (iii) My mother kept the fruits **in the basket**.



Do the phrases used in the above sentences make sense now? Yes, they do.

Definition : A phrase is a group of words that makes partial sense when used together, but they cannot make complete sense. However, a phrase makes sense when used in a sentence.

Let's Practise

A. Underline the phrases in the following sentences:

1. She will give a grand party on her birthday.
2. My father goes for a walk every morning.
3. There is a good restaurant across the street.
4. They will go to their village during the holidays.
5. I saw many vehicles on the main road.
6. I am going to the coffee shop for a cup of hot coffee.
7. The thief jumped over the fence and ran away.
8. We have been living in this house for five years.
9. The sun rises in the east.
10. I'll go for a walk in the park.

B. Use the following phrases and make meaningful sentences:

1. over the hills

2. under the tree

3. at ten O'clock

4. in the sun

5. beside the lake

6. near the hospital

7. in the deep sea

8. behind the bush

9. with her friends

10. above the clouds

11. covered with snow

12. in the nick of time

