

Chapter 25 - Assignment 8: Aristotle's *Categories* — [1]

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In order to answer the following questions, see pages 17–22.

1. Grammar: Subjects and Predicates

- (i) In the statement “the swimmer swims”, what is the *subject*?

- (ii) In the statement “the swimmer swims”, what is the *predicate*?

- (iii) In the statement “the swimmer is swimming”, what is the *subject*?

- (iv) In the statement “the swimmer is swimming”, what is the *predicate*?

2. Book 2 - (See pages 17–18.)

- (i) According to Aristotle, is “the cat meows” *simple* or *composite*?

- (ii) According to Aristotle, is “the cat” *simple* or *composite*?

- (iii) According to Aristotle, is “the sky is blue” *simple* or *composite*?

- (iv) According to Aristotle, is “the sky” *simple* or *composite*?

- (v) According to Aristotle, is “the color blue” *simple* or *composite*?

3. Book 3 - (See page 18.)

(i) According to Aristotle, is “cat” predicable of “animal”? Why or why not? Explain.

(ii) According to Aristotle, is “animal” predicable of “this cat”? Why or why not? Explain.

(iii) According to Aristotle, if *every* cat is an animal, then what must be true about *this* cat or *that* cat?

(iv) According to Aristotle, what differentiates different species of the same genus?

4. Book 4 — [Part 1] - (See page 19.)

(a) What are the ten categories? (List them in order.)

(i) _____

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

(iv) _____

(v) _____

(vi) _____

(vii) _____

(viii) _____

(ix) _____

(x) _____

5. Book 4 — [Part 2] - (See page 19.)

(a) Consider the following ten cases.

- (i) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is pushing”?
- (ii) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is louder”?
- (iii) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is six feet tall”?
- (iv) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is dressed”?
- (v) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is seated”?
- (vi) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is being pushed”?
- (vii) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is today”?
- (viii) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is orange”?
- (ix) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is a dog”?
- (x) According to Aristotle, which category is the predicate “is in Miami”?