Shape Coding

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SHAPE CODING™ colours

Noun / Pronouns   (boy, table, I)

Det / Possessive pronouns   (the, a, my)

Verb   (push, melt)

Adjective   (hard, sad)
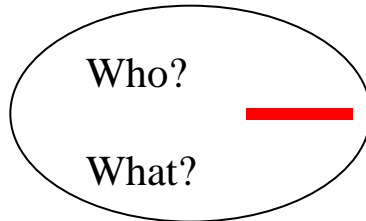
Preposition   (in, through)

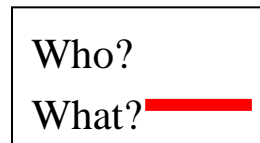Adverb   (quickly, carefully)

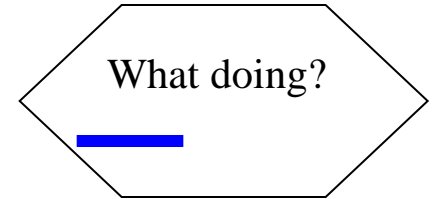Coordinating conjunction   (and, but, or)

Subordinating conjunction   (because, if)

SHAPE CODING™ shapes

- Phrases grouped with shapes and linked with colour and a question

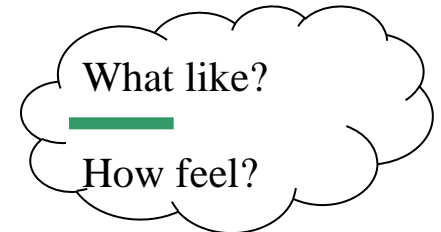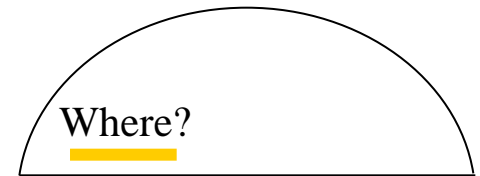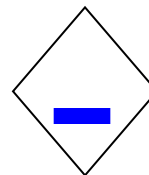- 'Subjects' and 'objects' have different shapes

Who?

What?

NP: Subject

Who?

What?

NP: Object

- Extra shapes

How?

When?

Aux or Modal

What doing?

Verb Phrase

What like?

How feel?

Adjective Phrase

Where?

Prepositional Phrase

Why?
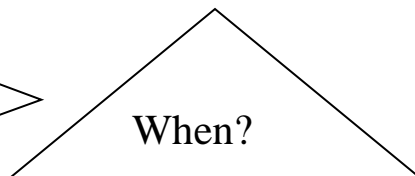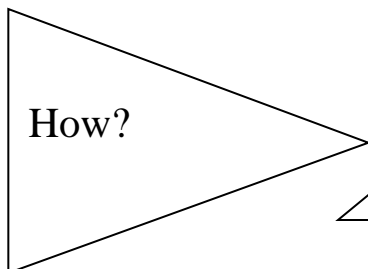
SHAPE CODING™ sentences

Ben was putting an apple in a bowl

The apple is tasty

The sad boy is putting his tasty apple in her bowl
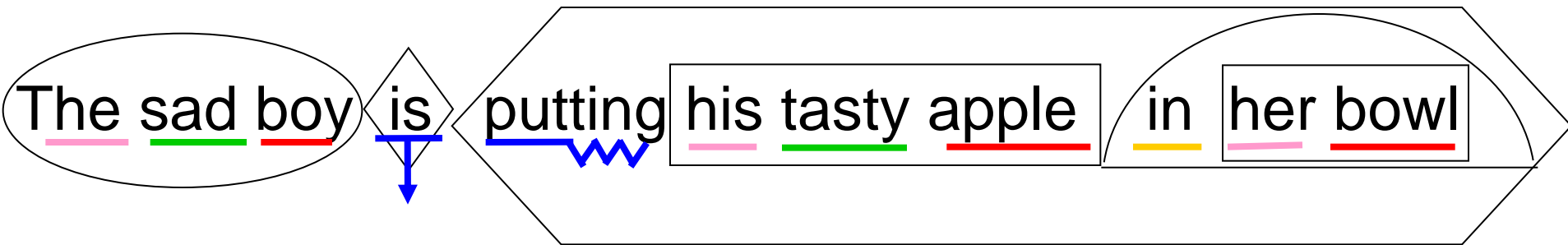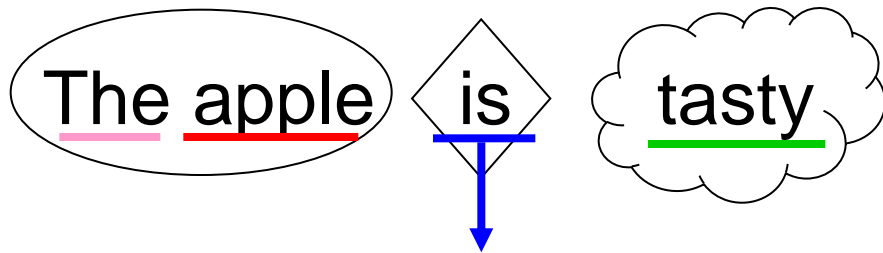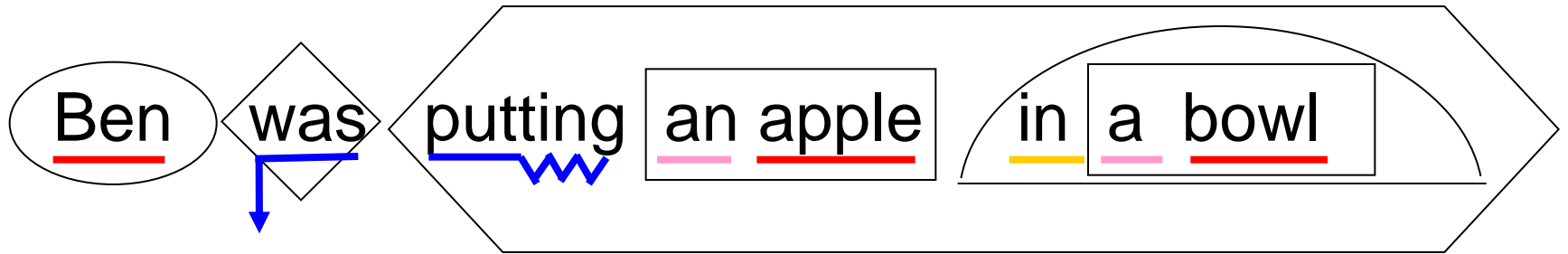
Subject verb agreement

- Double red line used for plural nouns and pronouns
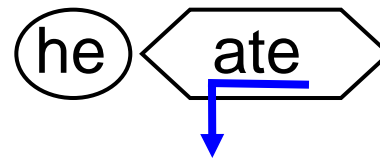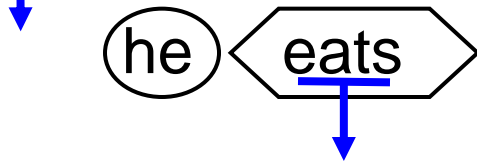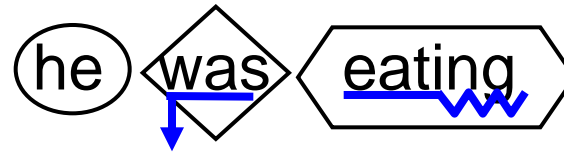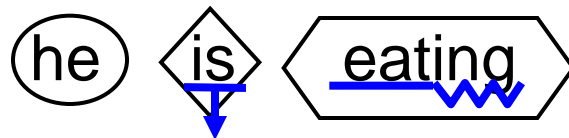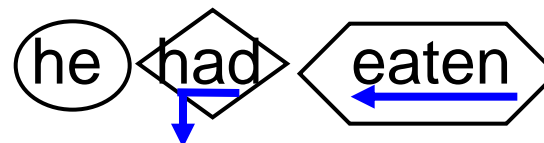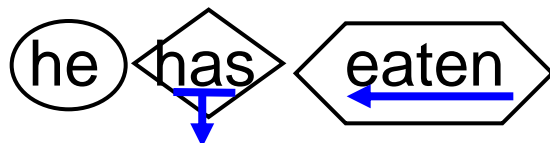
- Double blue lines used for plural verb

Verb tenses

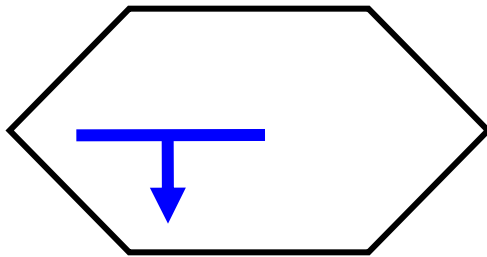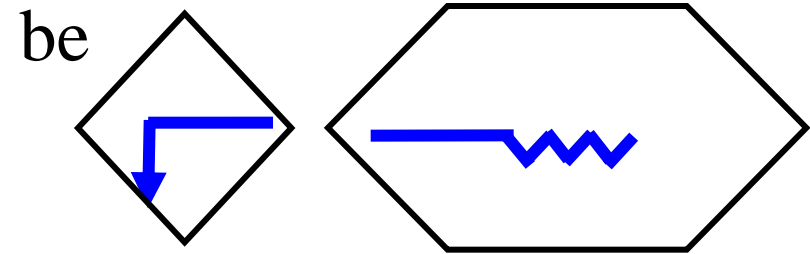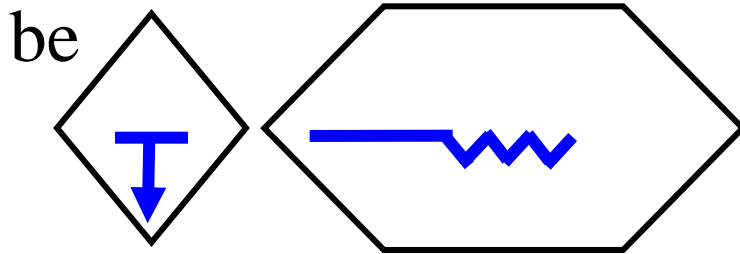- Vertical arrow = finite verb (in the middle=present, left=past tense)

he < eats

he < ate

- zig-zag at right end = progressive participle

he < is < eating

he < was < eating

- horizontal arrow pointing left = past participle

he < has < eaten

he < had < eaten

Main morphological patterns

be
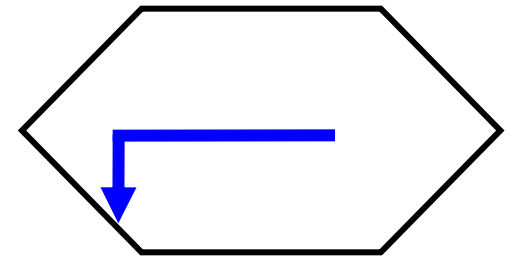
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- CD of resources

- Information re courses

- References

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