The **PENS** Strategy

**P**ick a formula

**E**xplore words to fit the formula

**N**ote the words

**S**earch and check

 **M**ark out imposters

* Infinitives
* Prepositional phrases

**A**sk “Is there a verb?”

**R**oot out the subject

 (Ask, “Who or what \_\_\_\_\_?”)

**K**ey in on the

* beginning
* ending
* meaning