

Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Cleft Sentences**

# Wh- Cleft Sentences

**FORMULA:** WH- Clause + Be + Emphasized Word or Phrase

In a Wh- cleft sentence, the emphasis is on the action.

**NORMAL SENTENCE:** Jim did a cannonball into the pool.

**WH- CLEFT SENTENCE:** What Jim did was a cannonball into the pool.

**DIRECTIONS:** Rewrite each sentence as a Wh- cleft sentence, placing the emphasis on the action.

1. The cat read the newspaper.

2. The dog climbed a tree.

3. The fish did a backflip.

4. The policeman did a wheelie.

5. The moon ate a star for breakfast.

6. The student taught math.

7. The pig ran a marathon.

8. The sandwich burped.

