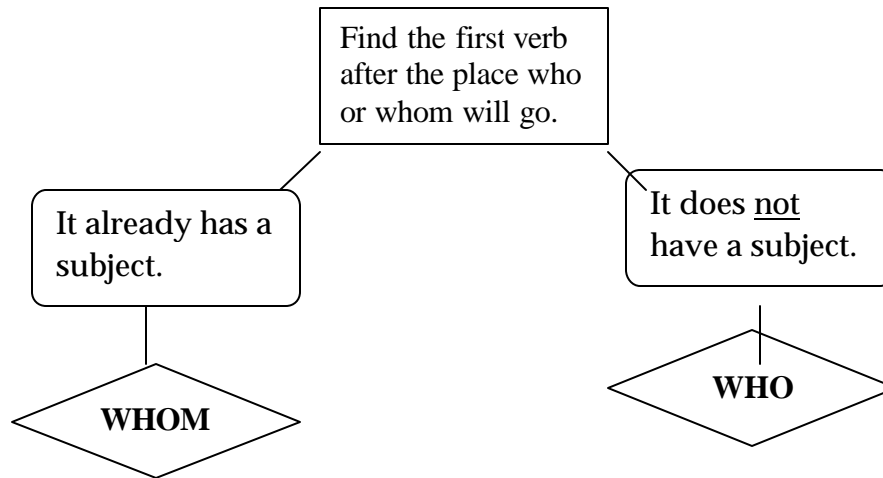


WHO OR WHOM?

Who and **whom** are used differently.

- ❖ **Who is a subject pronoun.** Use **who** as the subject of a verb.
- ❖ **Whom is an object pronoun.** Use **whom** as the direct object, indirect object, object of a preposition.

Here is an easy way to decide whether to use **who** or **whom**:



Notice how **who** and **whom** are used in the following examples:

1. I forget **who** *won* the Super Bowl in 1991. (The verb “won” does not have a subject, so we give it one by adding “who.”)
2. She is the actress **whom** I *admired*. (The verb “admired” already has the subject “I,” so we use the object pronoun “whom.”)
3. The artist **whom** she *loved* has gone away. (The verb “loved” already has the subject “she,” so we use the object pronoun “whom.”)
4. He has respect for the person **who** *is* in power. (The verb “is” does not have a subject, so we give it one by adding “who.”)