

# Easy Pace Learning Grammar

## Nouns

A noun is the word that refers to a person, thing or abstract idea. A noun can tell you who or what.

There are several different types of noun:-

- There are common nouns such as dog, car, chair etc.
- Nouns that refer to things which can be counted (can be singular or plural) are countable nouns.
- Nouns that refer to some groups of countable nouns, substances, feelings and types of activity (can only be singular) are uncountable nouns.
- Nouns that refer to a group of people or things are collective nouns.
- Nouns that refer to people, organizations or places are proper nouns, only proper nouns are capitalized.
- Nouns that are made up of two or more words are called compound nouns.
- Nouns that are formed from a verb by adding *-ing* are called gerunds

## EXERCISES:

1. The book was heavy.
2. The child is happy.
3. The box was empty.
4. The synopsis is accurate.
5. The tomato was being baked.

## ANSWERS:

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## Verb

The verb is perhaps the most important part of the sentence. A **verb** or compound verb asserts something about the subject of the sentence and express actions, events, or states of being. The verb or compound verb is the critical element of the predicate of a sentence. In each of the following sentences, the verb or compound verb is **highlighted**:

### Transitive Verbs followed by Adverbs

**back up:** support

I will **back up** your story.

**bail out:** rescue

If you run into difficulties, who will **bail you out**?

**break in:** make something new fit for use

I **broke in** my new hiking boots.

**breathe in:** inhale

We **breathed in** the fresh air.

**breathe out:** exhale

I **breathed out** a sigh of relief.