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A: What was he doing? B: Working

Shark!!!!!!! Swim!!!!!!!!

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- 1. Inactive
- 2. Careless
- 3. She saw a blackbird in the tree



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A verb is a DOING word

An adjective is a DESCRIBING word

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Morphological

e.g. we can make a verb progressive by adding -ing

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Positional

e.g. verbs come after subjects and before objects, e.g. $\underline{\text{she}}$ ate the fish, she **likes** cheese.

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- 1. Content versus function words
- 2. Open versus closed class.
- 3. What the words do in the sentence?
- 4. Where do they appear in the sentence?

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From Robot to Mobot



Recent nouns (plus the exclmative doh!)



Though trolice, 1946

Shaw, 1940, Workshart, 1985, 1988, 1985, 1980, 1988, 198

* This sketch is regarded as the origin of the use of spam to describe unsolicited email

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^{**} This term was popularised by the Simpsons

^{***} This is actually derived from a Latin word for child. However, the current meaning dates from the late 1980s

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Children with language impairments

- Tend to miss out function words
- Have difficulties understanding prepositions (when used to express location), e.g. on, in
- Have reduced verb diversity
- Sometimes omit arguments of the verb, e.g. 'She put the books'

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A student says 'I am going to a lection'. What does 'lection' mean, and how has this error arisen?