

Parts of Speech

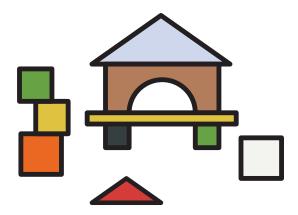
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Grammar Notes

Parts of speech are like building blocks. We build sentences using parts of speech.



There are **7** main parts of speech.

noun verb

article adjective adverb

preposition conjunction



Grammar Notes cont.

1. Nouns & Pronouns

Nouns are people, places, or things.

- woman
- house
- table

- student
- city
- phone

- dog
- book
- apple

Pronouns are words that can take a noun's place.

- |
- we
- US

- you
- they
- mine

- she
- me
- theirs

- he
- him
- muself

Nouns and pronouns can be subjects (S) or objects (O) of a sentence. Subjects come **before the verb** (V) and objects come **after the verb**.

Examples:

People like him.

s v o

• The **girl** ate an **apple**. S V O



• She went to Hawaii.

s v o

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2. Verbs

Verbs are actions.

- run
- study
- swim

- walk
- buy
- be

- sing
- talk
- have

Verbs come **after the subject** in a sentence.

Examples:

- My sister jogs.
- He **buys** milk once a week.
- Jane is a teacher.



3. Articles

Articles give information about nouns (how many, general or specific, etc.).

- 0
- an
- the

Articles come before a noun.

Examples:

- a puppy
- **an** orange
- the books



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4. Adjectives

Adjectives describe nouns (size, color, feeling, etc.).

- big
- soft
- happy

- warm
- comfortable
- tired

- tall
- green
- exciting

Adjectives come before a noun or after the Be verb.

Examples:

- I see a **yellow** flower.
- The flower is **yellow**.



5. Adverbs

Adverbs describe verbs (how, how often, etc.). Most adverbs end in -ly.

- quickly
- messily
- always
- sometimes

- loudly
- badly
- often
- never

Examples:

- She runs quickly. (How does she run?)
- He speaks softly. (How does he speak?)
- They **always** sing. (How often do they sing?)
- My brother **never** watches TV. (How often does he watch TV?)



[&]quot;How" adverbs come after the verb.

[&]quot;How often" adverbs come before the verb.

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6. Prepositions

Prepositions give information about nouns (direction, time, place, etc.).

- in
- at
- over
- under

- on
- to
- around
- between

Prepositions come before a noun.

Examples:

• to school

• in July

• at home



7. Conjunctions

Conjunctions join two sentences or two similar parts of speech.

- for
- and
- nor
- but
- or
- uef
- so

Conjunctions come **between** two nouns, two verbs, two adjectives, two adverbs, or two sentences.

Examples:

- I love cake and ice cream.
- You can **call or text** me.
- Our cat is cute and lazy.
- The ballering dances beautifully and gracefully.
- She brushes her teeth and washes her face before bed.
- My brother likes Tracy, but he never says a word to her.

Tip:

Remember common conjunctions easily with the word "fanboys" (it uses the first letter from each conjunction).



Parts of Speech

What does each part of speech do?

Complete the chart with the correct part of speech.

Parts of Speech

- noun
- article
- adverb
- conjunction

- verb
- adjective
- preposition

#	Clue	Part of Speech
1	describes a verb	
2	is a person, place, or thing	
3	is an action	
4	describes a person, place, or thing	
5	joins two words or sentences	
6	shows direction, time, or place	
7	includes a, an, and the	



Words

Write the part of speech next to each word.
You can write the short form from the list in the box.

1	book	 13	lesson	25 tree
2	chair	 14	fridge	26 happily
3	in	 15	pink	27 learn
4	write	 16	hungry	28 so
5	and	 17	but	29 patiently
6	the	 18	quietly	30 sleepy
7	slowly	 19	soft	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
8	piano	 20	or	Short Forms: Noun = N
9	an	 21	read	Pronoun = PnVerb = VArticle = Art
10	speak	 22	listen	Adjective = AdjAdverb = Adv
11	have	 23	to	Preposition = PrepConjunction = Conj
12	elephant	24	а	

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Cards

Get into small groups.

Your teacher will give you some word cards.

When it is your turn, read out the word on the card.

DO NOT read out the part of speech below the word.

Your group members will try to guess the part of speech.

Whoever guesses correctly first gets to keep the card. Whoever has the most cards at the end is the winner!

Who is the winner? _____

How many cards does he/she have? _____





Questions

Can you answer these questions about parts of speech?

- 1 What is a noun?
 - a) an action
 - **b)** a word that describes a verb
 - c) a person, place, or thing
- What is an adverb?
 - a) a word that describes a noun
 - b) a word that describes a verb
 - c) a word that gives information about direction, time, or place
- What is a pronoun?
 - a) a word that takes the place of a noun
 - b) a word that joins two similar parts of speech
 - c) a word that describes a noun
- What is a conjunction?
 - a) a person, place, or thing
 - **b)** a word that describes verbs
 - c) a word that joins two similar parts of speech

- Where does an adjective go in a sentence?
 - a) before a noun
 - b) after the Be verb
 - c) both a and b
- 6 Where does an article go in a sentence?
 - a) before a verb
 - b) before a noun
 - c) both a and b
- 7 Where does a verb go in a sentence?
 - **a)** after the subject
 - **b)** before the object
 - c) both a and b
- 8 Where does an adverb go in a sentence?
 - a) after a verb
 - **b)** before a verb
 - c) both a and b

Sentences

Write the part of speech for each word in these sentences.

Short Forms:

- Noun = N

- Verb = V
 Adjective = Adj
 Preposition = Prep
- Pronoun = Pn

- Article = Art
 Adverb = Adv
 Conjunction = Conj
- Sneakers are comfortable.

a) _____ b) ____ c) ____

The teacher speaks quickly.

b

a) _____ b) ____ c) ___ d) ____

C

They live in a big, red house.

a b c d e f

a) _____ b) ____ c) ____

d) _____

e) _____ f) ____ g) ____

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Short Forms:

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- Verb = V
- Adjective = Adj
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- Article = Art
- Adverb = Adv
- Conjunction = Conjunction
- The young woman always eats a healthy breakfast.

C

def g

a) _____ b) ____ c) ___ d) ____

e) _____ f) ____ g) ____ h) ____

5 The kids play tennis and baseball on Saturdays. d

a) _____ b) ____ c) ___ d) ____

e) _____ f) ____ g) ____ h) ____

I always read books, but you never read books. ab c defghi

b) _____ d) ____

e) _____ f) ____ j) ____ i) ____

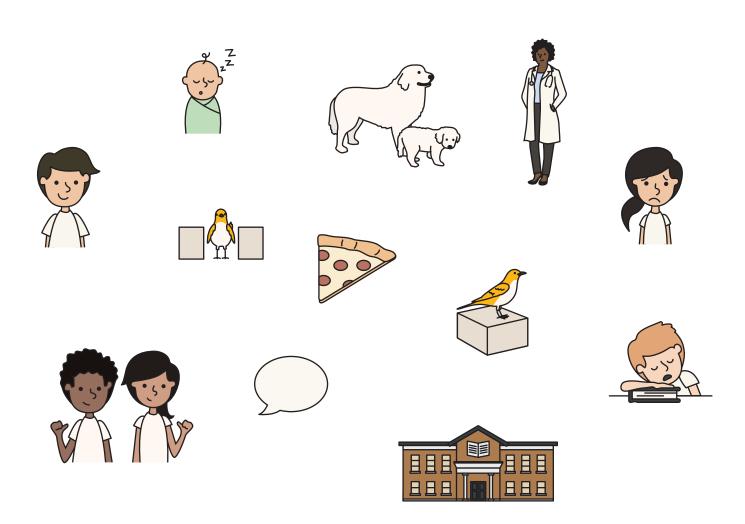


Board Race

You and your teammates will take turns writing the part of speech that matches the words on the board. The team that finishes first wins!

My team's name:	
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The winning team is: _____





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Quiz

What part of speech is each **bold** word? Circle the correct answer.

- 1 Doctors
 help people.
 - a) noun
 - b) verb
 - c) adjective
- He has a dog
 - a) noun
 - **b)** conjunction
 - c) adjective
- The old man drives **slowly**.
 - a) adjective
 - **b)** preposition
 - c) adverb
- I eat **an** apple every day.
 - a) article
 - **b)** noun
 - c) conjunction

- 5 Some **children** never watch TV.
 - a) verb
 - **b)** article
 - c) noun
- 6 She wears **big** earrings.
 - a) article
 - b) adjective
 - c) adverb
- 7 I go **to** school on weekdays.
 - a) conjunction
 - **b)** verb
 - c) preposition
- 8 **The** kids on my street like ice cream.
 - a) noun
 - **b)** article
 - c) adjective

- 9 We learn English at school.
 - a) preposition
 - b) adjective
 - c) article
- The store **opens** at 9:00 am.
 - a) noun
 - **b)** verb
 - c) adjective
- People **often**smile at babies.
 - a) preposition
 - **b)** verb
 - c) adverb
- 12 I **drink** coffee on the bus.
 - a) verb
 - **b)** noun
 - c) adverb