

There are eight parts of speech. Knowing how to use each of them helps make writing grammatically correct.

- **Nouns** can name persons, places, things, and ideas. Nouns are used to make subjects and objects in sentences.
- **Pronouns** are words that can replace or substitute for nouns. They always refer to a noun called an antecedent. Pronouns can be used as subjects and objects in sentences.
- **Verbs** show the action or state of being of the subject. Verbs can have one or more words that help them show the tense or mood.
- **Adjectives** describe or modify nouns or pronouns by answering *Which one?*, *What kind?*, *How many?*
- **Adverbs** modify verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs. They answer *How?*, *How much?*, *To what extent?*, *Where?*, *When?*, and *Why?*
- **Prepositions** are like adverbs except that they always have an object, and are found in phrases called prepositional phrases. Prepositions often provide details such as location, time, direction, etc.
- **Conjunctions** show the relationship between words, phrases, and sentences. Conjunctions join words, groups of words, and even whole sentences.
- **Interjections** show emotion and these can indicate mild to strong feelings. Interjections do not relate to any other word in the sentence, and they are usually followed by an exclamation point.

Select the best answer for the following questions and type it on the line provided.

1. The reason adults like online courses stems from their need for flexible class hours, their desire to work at their own pace, and their need to start and complete tasks as individuals.

The main verb in this sentence is _____

- a. need
- b. start and complete
- c. stems
- d. are attracted

2. The class was divided into two sections; those who felt that the idea was well explained and those who felt the idea was not well thought out.

The word and is an example of a(n) _____

- a. adjective
- b. conjunction
- c. preposition
- d. adverb

3. The moon sometimes peeks out from behind the clouds; we see it during our evening walks.

The word sometimes is an example of a(n) _____

- a. adjective
- b. conjunction
- c. preposition
- d. adverb

4. Write a sentence that has a pronoun as the subject of the sentence.

5. Create a sentence that begins with a prepositional phrase.

6. Look at the photo below:



Write a question about the photo and then write a sentence that answers the question you have written. Use correct punctuation.

Read the following statements and then determine if the statement is true or false. Check the box to indicate your answer.

7. A noun and a pronoun function in similar ways in English.

True False

8. The verb is the only word in the sentence that provides the tense or time.

True False

9. Interjections are used in the same way as a coordinating conjunction.

True False

10. A subject of a sentence must always have an adjective.

True False

Provide the part of speech (noun, pronoun, verb, adjective, adverb, conjunction, preposition, interjection) for each of the underlined words and phrases.

Term	Part of Speech
11. his <u>sophistication</u>	_____
12. <u>auburn-colored</u> jacket	_____
13. <u>has been helpful</u> to me	_____
14. <u>without</u> your advice	_____
15. He is <u>not</u> humorous.	_____
16. <u>Indeed!</u> You need help.	_____
17. <u>however</u>	_____
18. To <u>whom</u> it may concern:	_____
19. <u>bear</u> the pain	_____
20. <u>unrelenting</u> rain	_____