

Parts of Speech, Synonyms, Antonyms, Homonyms

Parts of Speech

A. Underline each noun once and each pronoun twice.

1. You have tricked me for the last time!
2. California is the state for “hippies.”
3. The little Indian is the big Indian’s son.
4. People have always enjoyed playing games.
5. Will you please tell Joe and Sam I want to see them?
6. Jack and he painted the house.
7. We had fresh fruit.
8. Jack helped Sue into the boat.
9. Massachusetts is a small state.
10. Bill and I make money and win prizes on the show.

B. Underline each verb or verb phrase once.

1. Later I thought about it during science class.
2. And no one did trick me again.
3. They have been making homes near here.
4. I groaned at his answer.
5. A verb expresses action or helps make a statement.
6. Jim scraped, sanded, painted, and shined the boat’s hull.
7. John worked at the house.
8. Tom was waiting for us.
9. He shoveled snow near the steps.
10. My brother laughed at him.
11. The train clattered down the tracks.

C. Adjectives answer the questions *Which one? What kind? How many?* Underline each adjective once.

1. My friend has long black hair and big blue eyes.
2. Arthur got back into his high, narrow bed.
3. A thin dirty dog sat by the two trees.
4. A fat man in a blue shirt rode the small horse.
5. The three gray cats were on the fence.
6. Birds follow certain routes each winter on their way to the warm South.
7. Most male birds have colorful feathers.
8. The spotted, speckled, or colored eggs blend in with the area of the hidden nest.
9. There are birds which are called waterfowl because they live in marshy or swampy places.
10. The lovely songs of birds delight the ears, especially the ears of bird hunters.
11. The duck whistle lures ducks to a pond.

D. Fill in the blank with an adjective.

1. We had a _____ barn.
2. He rode _____ miles.
3. Joe was a _____ boy.
4. The _____ cat ran away.
5. There are _____ days in a month.

E. Underline each adverb once.

1. The ducks settle quietly on the pond's surface.
2. The hunter quickly lifts his gun.
3. He stupidly fires the gun.
4. The lake is still very quiet.
5. Angrily the hunter beats his unloaded gun on a stump.

Synonyms and Antonyms

A. From the following list, choose a word that means the same or nearly the same as each numbered word below. Write this synonym in the space next to each word.

raise	reply	ill	error	above
certain	shut	help	bright	little

1. lift
2. close
3. shiny
4. aid
5. over
6. sure
7. answer
8. mistake
9. sick
10. small

B. From the list of words above, choose a word that has the opposite meaning of each word listed below. Write this antonym in the space next to each word.

1. pushing
2. black
3. smiled
4. rising
5. forward
6. sad
7. cooler
8. tough
9. handsome
10. curly

C. Arrange the numbered words in **B** in alphabetical order.

Homonyms

Homonyms are words that sound alike. Write 10 sentences using each of the homonyms below. If you don't know what they mean, look them up in the dictionary.

know	no	
rode	road	
sea	see	
too	to	two
tea	tee	
pair	pare	pear
here	hear	
new	knew	
maid	made	
their	they're	there
grate	great	
lesson	lessen	