

Language words

This book uses some grammar words in English.

grammar word	meaning	example	in your language
noun	a person or thing	book, girl, pen	
pronoun	used instead of a noun	I, he, she, we, it, mine, yours	
verb	something we do	do, read, write	
adjective	describes a person or thing	good, bad, happy, long	
adverb	describes a verb	slowly, badly	
preposition	a little word used before a noun or pronoun	in, on, by, at	
conjunction	connects one part of a sentence to another	and, because, if, so, after, when	
singular	just one	book, house	
plural	more than one	books, houses	
phrase	a group of words (not a complete sentence)	in a house, at home, an old man	
sentence	a complete idea in writing, beginning with a capital letter and ending with a full stop	The man went into the room and closed the door.	
paragraph	a short part of a text (one or more sentences) beginning on a new line	This book has 60 units. Each unit has two pages.	
dialogue	a conversation between two people	Ann: How's Jo? Bill: OK, thanks.	
question	a set of words that begin with a capital letter and end with a question mark	Are you English? Do you like school?	
answer	a reply to a question	Yes, I am. No, I don't.	

Tip

When you learn a new word, make a note of the type of word it is in your notebook.
e.g. happy - adjective, in - preposition

Exercises

48.1 Write the grammar words opposite in your own language.

48.2 Write these words in the correct column.

book speak good word house have write new man right blue say

noun	verb	adjective
book		

48.3 Add three more examples of prepositions.

in,

48.4 Are the following phrases, sentences or questions?

- 1 in the park phrase
- 2 Do you speak English?
- 3 a black cat
- 4 She's writing a book.
- 5 What's your name?
- 6 I like English.

48.5 Answer these questions.

- 1 What is the plural of book? books
- 2 What is the singular of men?
- 3 Is from a verb?
- 4 Is cat an adjective?
- 5 Is this a phrase? 'Jane loves Harry.'
- 6 Is bad an adverb?
- 7 What type of word are we and it?
- 8 Which of these words is a conjunction: good, us, because?

48.6 In this text, find four nouns, one adjective, one adverb, one preposition, and one pronoun.

The cat plays happily in the garden all day. She loves fresh milk.



Nouns: cat,

Adjective:

Adverb:

Preposition:

Pronoun: