

Grade 4 English Language Arts

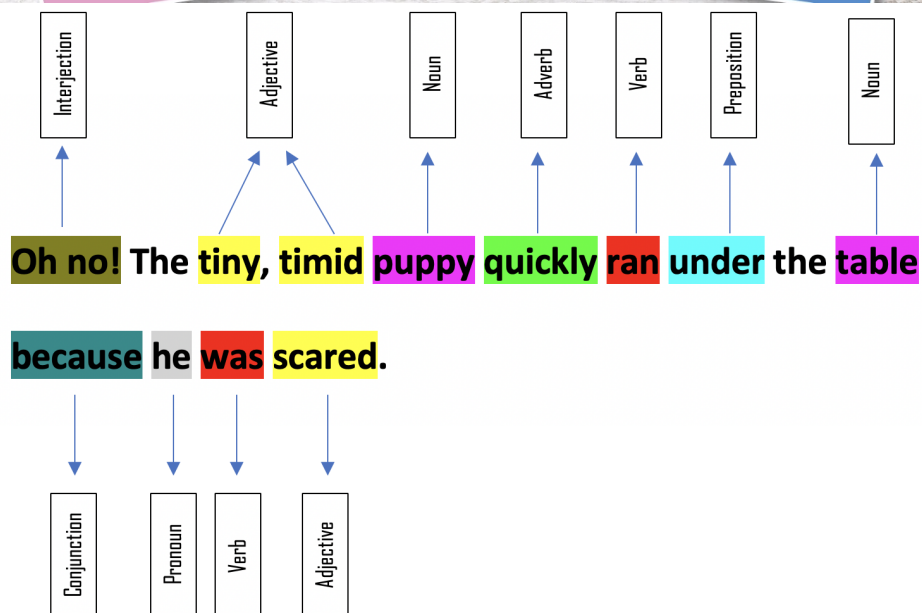
Week of October 5 – October 9

Lesson 2: Parts of Speech 1

See the words listed below? What do all of these words have in common? Well, they are all **parts of speech!**

Every word in the English language is part of a **word class**. This just means that they are placed in a group, depending on their function in a sentence. In this section, you are going to learn about 8 parts of speech.

Part of Speech: The way that a word is used in a sentence.



Noun:

A person, place, animal, or thing.

The subject of a sentence is always a **noun**.

Person



- Doctor
- Librarian
- Lindsay
- Connor
- Child
- Grandma

Place



- Zoo
- School
- Jupiter
- The White House
- Hawaii

Animal



- Dog
- Chicken
- Hen
- Rooster
- Frog
- Lizard

Thing



- Book
- Pencil
- Plate
- Car
- Coffee
- Camera

Common Nouns vs. Proper Nouns

A **common noun** names a general person, place, animal, or thing.

For example: a dog, a school, a pencil, a finger, a snowflake.

A **proper noun** names a specific person, place, animal, or thing. **Proper nouns must be capitalized.**

For example: Brandon, Stacey, Bear Creek Elementary School, Mr. Montgomery, NASA.

Activity 1:

Noun

Definition

<u>Examples (3)</u>

Common Noun	Proper Noun
<p><u>Definition:</u></p> <p><u>Example:</u></p>	<p><u>Definition:</u></p> <p><u>Example:</u></p>

Activity 2

Mini Quiz: Identify the Noun in the Sentence!

1. Suddenly, the sky went black.

- a. Suddenly
- b. Sky
- c. The
- d. Black

2. The Eiffel Tower is magnificently tall.

- a. The
- b. Eiffel Tower
- c. Magnificently
- d. Tall

3. I went to my grandmas yesterday.

- a. I
- b. My
- c. Grandma
- d. Yesterday



Pronoun:

A word that replaces a noun.

Pronouns help eliminate repetition in writing. Take a look at the piece written below. How many times is the noun Mike Wazowski mentioned?

Mike Wazowski is a monster who lives in Monstropolis. Mike Wazowski works for a company called Monsters Incorporated. Mike Wazowski is green, has one eye, and is only 4 ft tall.



That's a mouthful of Mike Wazowski! We can **replace** some of these Mike Wazowski's with the **pronoun** 'he'. But, be careful! We **can't replace the first time his name is mentioned**, otherwise, the reader wouldn't know who we are talking about when we say 'he'!

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Here are a few examples of pronouns:

I	Me	My	Mine
You	You	Your	Yours
He	Him	His	His
She	Her	Her	Hers
It	It	Its	Its
We	Us	Our	Ours
You	You	Your	Yours
They	Them	Their	Theirs

Let's try and change some nouns into pronouns:

1. Mrs. Callows loves apples. Mrs. Callow is eating an apple. → Mrs. Callows loves apples. She is eating an apple.
2. The Empire State Building is in New York. The Empire State Building is tall. → The Empire State Building is in New York. It is tall.
3. My friends are nice. My friends live on my street. → My friends are nice. They live on my street.

Activity 3:

Pronoun

Definition

Activity 4: Rewrite the sentence, replacing the following underlined nouns with pronouns. Use the pronoun chart found above to help you!

1. Those bicycles belong to Sammy and Katherine.

2. Does Becky want to come to the movies with us?

3. Does the car have enough gas in it for the road trip?

4. Mine and my sister's favourite holiday is Christmas.
