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1 Singular Nouns and Plural Nouns

A **noun** is a name word. A **singular noun** names one person, place, thing, or idea. A **plural noun** names more than one person, place, thing, or idea. Add -s to form the plurals of most nouns. Add -es to form the plurals of most nouns ending in s, x, z, ch, or sh. Some plural nouns are not formed by adding -s or -es. Check a dictionary if you are not sure of a plural form.

| SINGULAR | PLURAL | SINGULAR | PLURAL |
|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| boat | boats | fox | foxes |
| man | men | fish | fish |

A Write the plural form of each word.

| 1. batch | 11. computer | |
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| 2. cow | 12. compass | |
| 3. moose | 13. house | |
| 4. bush | 14. trout | |
| 5. tooth | 15. series | |
| 6. princess | 16. ox | |
| 7. foot | 17. rabbit | |
| 8. ditch | 18. mouse | |
| 9. woman | 19. book | |
| 10. mile | 20. tax | |

B Complete each sentence with the plural form of the noun.

1. Pack both

niece

| J | in the cooler. | |
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| child | Many education in preschool. | |
| box | How many moving did your family buy? | |
| sheep | 4. We saw six | at the fair. |
| refugee | 5. The | fled to a neighboring country. |

of watermelon

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2 More Singular Nouns and Plural Nouns

If a noun ends in y preceded by a vowel, form the plural by adding -s. If a noun ends in y preceded by a consonant, change the y to i and add -es.

| valley | valleys | colony | colonies |
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| SINGULAR | PLURAL | SINGULAR | PLURAL |

If a noun ends in o preceded by a vowel, form the plural by adding -s. If a noun ends in o preceded by a consonant, form the plural by adding -es. There are exceptions to this rule, so consult a dictionary to be sure.

| SINGULAR | PLURAL | SINGULAR | PLURAL |
|----------|--------|----------|----------|
| radio | radios | tomato | tomatoes |
| video | videos | taco | tacos |

For most nouns ending in f or fe, form the plurals by adding -s. For some nouns ending in f or fe, change the f or fe to ves. Check a dictionary if necessary.

| SINGULAR | PLURAL | SINGULAR | PLURA |
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| roof | roofs | leaf | leaves |

Complete each sentence with the plural form of the noun.

| inventor | 1. | Thomas Edison is one of America's most important | |
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| life | 2. | His inventions changed people's | |
| assistant | 3. | Edison had a team of | |
| supply | 4. | He provided the they needed to work. | |
| movie | 5. | Edison invented the cameras, film, and projectors that made possible. | |
| battery | 6. | He also developed a better way to make | |
| factory | 7. | Edison designed and built many kinds of | |
| torpedo | 8. | During World War I, he helped the U.S. military forces build | |
| key | 9. | One of the to Edison's success was reading. | |
| | | Before he began a project, he read a lot about the subject. | |
| day | 10. | Three after Edison died, much of America dimmed its lights for one minute in his honor. | |

Thomas Edison always read as much as he could before he started a new project. Give an example of a way you can use reading to help yourself.

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3 Concrete Nouns and Abstract Nouns

A **concrete noun** names a thing that can be seen or touched.

The Greek temple is at the top of a mountain.

An **abstract noun** expresses a quality or a condition. It names something that cannot be seen or touched. Abstract nouns can be formed from other words by adding suffixes such as *-dom*, *-hood*, *-ion*, *-tion*, *-ity*, *-ment*, *-ness*, *-ry*, *-ship*, *-th*, and *-ty*.

Democracy had its origin in ancient Greece.

Underline the concrete nouns in each sentence. Circle the abstract nouns.

- 1. People in ancient times had differing values and beliefs.
- 2. Some Greek kingdoms valued toughness and discipline.
- 3. All authority in these governments was held by the king.
- 4. The army was extremely important in keeping order.
- 5. Slaves and peasants farmed the land and had few rights.
- Other Greek societies believed in freedom and democracy.
- 7. They valued truth, beauty, and order.
- 8. Their citizens erected beautiful buildings and statues.
- 9. Plato, a Greek philosopher, wrote about democratic principles.
- 10. His most famous book is The Republic.



| В | Write an abstract noun for each word by adding a suffi |
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- 1. good _____
- 2. brave ______
- 3. friend
- 4. king _____
- 5. grow _____

- 6. leader
- 7. entertain
- 8. appreciate
- 9. accomplish
- 10. honest

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4 More Concrete Nouns and Abstract Nouns

A **concrete noun** names a thing that can be seen or touched. An **abstract noun** expresses a quality or a condition. It names something that cannot be seen or touched.

A Circle each concrete noun. Underline each abstract noun.

- 1. The ancient Aztecs valued beauty and nature.
- 2. Farmers in the highlands used their skill to grow corn.
- 3. They traded their crops for things from the lowlands.
- 4. Artisans took pleasure in making jewelry.
- 5. Potters put thought into the clay jars they made.
- 6. The Aztecs did not have an alphabet for written communication.
- 7. They used pictographs to write stories.
- 8. The Aztecs studied the sun, the moon, and the stars.
- 9. They showed great ability in developing a calendar based on these bodies.
- 10. Their wisdom helped complete a calendar that had 365 days in a year.
- 11. The people used their creativity to plant gardens on islands made of mud.
- 12. Through education, they learned to plant trees to hold the soil together.
- 13. The Aztecs built magnificent temples in honor of their gods.
- 14. The temples were in the shape of pyramids.
- 15. People today show admiration and appreciation for these accomplishments.
- Complete each sentence with a noun. Write **C** if it is a concrete noun or **A** if it is an abstract noun.

| 1. Farmers in my state raise | e |
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| 2. A factory near here mar | nufactures |
| 3. I often buy | at the supermarket. |
| 4. I wish I had the | to bake my own bread |

_____ 5. I like to eat _____

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Nouns Used as Subjects

A noun can be the subject of a verb. The **subject** tells what the sentence is about.

The Trojan War, fought by two ancient city-states, is the subject of a famous legend.

During the war, Greek soldiers from Sparta attacked Troy.

Underline the subject in each sentence.

- 1. Menelaus was the king of Sparta.
- 2. His wife's name was Helen.
- 3. His wife fell in love with a prince from Troy and followed him there.
- 4. According to legend, the Greeks started a war against Troy.
- 5. The war lasted more than 11 years.
- 6. Finally, a Greek soldier suggested a tactic.
- 7. His plan was to build a large wooden statue of a horse.
- 8. Greek soldiers hid inside the horse.
- 9. The Greek army left the horse near the gates of Troy and sailed away.
- 10. The people found the statue and took it into the city.
- 11. A woman of Troy tried to warn the people about the statue.
- 12. Cassandra's warnings were ignored.
- 13. The ships carrying the Greeks returned that night.
- 14. The troops inside the horse emerged and opened the city gates.
- 15. Troy lost the war because of this surprise attack by the Greeks.

Use each noun as the subject of a sentence.

5. the Trojan horse.

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| 3. legend _ | | | |
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6 Nouns Used as Subject Complements

A noun can be used as a subject complement. A **subject complement** is a noun that completes the meaning of a linking verb in a sentence. It renames the subject. The most common linking verbs are forms of the verb *be* (*is, am, are, was, were,* and so on).

Japan is a country in Asia. (country = Japan)

A Underline each subject complement.

- 1. Japan is a country of islands.
- 2. Korea, China, and Russia are the nearest neighbors of Japan.
- 3. The capital of Japan is Tokyo.
- 4. Tokyo is a large, densely populated city.
- 5. The official language of the country is Japanese.
- 6. In the Japanese language, the name of the country is not Japan.
- 7. The name in Japanese is Nippon.
- 8. Of Japan's four major islands, the biggest is Honshu.
- 9. Many of the Japanese people are farmers and fishermen.
- 10. Rice is an important crop in Japan.
- 11. Fish, both fresh and canned, is an important product.
- 12. Japan, however, is not primarily an agricultural country.
- 13. Japan is a major industrial country.
- 14. It is a notable producer of cars, electronics, and machines.
- 15. In fact, Japan is a major economic power.

B Circle the subject in each sentence. Underline the subject complement.

- 1. Japan is a mountainous country.
- 2. Some of its mountains are volcanoes.
- 3. The most famous volcano in Japan is Mount Fuji.
- 4. This mountain is the subject of many works of art.
- 5. A climb to the top of Mount Fuji is an important goal of many Japanese.

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Nouns Used as Direct Objects

A noun can be used as the direct object of a verb. A direct object answers the question whom or what after an action verb.

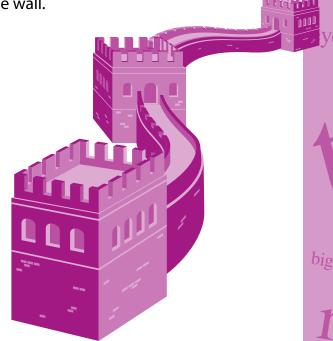
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Britain acquired Hong Kong in the 1800s. It ruled the colony until 1997.

- Circle the direct object(s) in each sentence. The verbs are italicized.
 - 1. Hong Kong *includes* some 200 islands off the south coast of China.
 - 2. Britain *leased* this territory from China in 1898.
 - 3. Hong Kong *reclaimed* land from the sea to gain more space.
 - 4. Hong Kong *traded* goods with the rest of China until 1949.
 - 5. At that time Britain forbade trade with Communist China.
 - 6. Since the 1960s Hong Kong has manufactured many goods for trade.
 - 7. For more than 30 years, China requested the return of Hong Kong.
 - 8. Britain officially returned the land to China on July 1, 1997.
 - 9. Now the People's Republic of China *governs* Hong Kong.
 - 10. By Chinese law, Hong Kong will have a capitalist economy for several decades.
- Underline the verb in each sentence. Circle each direct object.
 - 1. An emperor of China, Qin Shi Huang, began the Great Wall in 221 BC.
 - 2. The builders used brick, stone, and soil for the wall.
 - 3. The wall protected the country's border.
 - 4. It kept enemies out of China.
 - 5. Guards on the wall built fires.
 - 6. Smoke from a fire warned people about enemies in the area.
 - 7. Through the use of satellites, scientists studied the wall.
 - 8. With the satellite data, they discovered more sections below ground.
 - 9. The Chinese government has plans for wall repairs as necessary.
 - 10. Today the wall amazes tourists from all over the world.



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8 Nouns Used as Indirect Objects

A noun can be used as the indirect object of a verb. An **indirect object** tells *to whom, for whom, to what,* or *for what* the action is done.

VERB

INDIRECT OBJECT

DIRECT OBJECT

Iris taught

the old dog

new tricks.

- A Underline the verb in each sentence. Circle the indirect object. The direct object is italicized.
 - 1. The hospital volunteer read the patient a story.
 - 2. The school committee awarded Marjorie a *prize* for her essay.
 - 3. Mrs. Jones bought her son a new bicycle.
 - 4. I sent the editor a *letter* about a new park for our neighborhood.
 - 5. The museum offered the owner a million dollars for the painting.
 - 6. The soloist sang the audience a beautiful ballad.
 - 7. Mrs. Williamson told the children a *story* about visiting the Kremlin.
 - 8. The music teacher taught the class a patriotic song.
 - 9. George Washington told people the truth.
 - 10. Tyrone gave his mother some roses on Mother's Day.
- Complete each sentence with a noun used as an indirect object.
 Underline the direct object.

| The teacher gave | their homework assignment |
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- 2. The U.S. Constitution guarantees ______ the right to vote.
- 3. The movie star sent ______ an autographed picture.
- 4. Their father promised ______ pizza for dinner.
- 5. Ms. Gibbs was pleased with the service at the hotel, so she wrote _____ a complimentary letter.
- 6. The press secretary handed ______ a copy of the president's speech.
- 7. Mr. Glass sent ______ an order for 10 books.
- 8. The instructor taught ______ the rules of the road.
- 9. The guide showed ______ the desk where the president worked.
- 10. The usher offered ______ a program with information about the play.

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Nouns Used as Objects of Prepositions

A noun can be used as the object of a preposition. **Prepositions** show time, direction, place, and relationship. Some common prepositions are in, into, on, to, by, for, from, at, with, and without. The noun that follows a preposition in a prepositional phrase is called the **object of the preposition**; it answers *whom* or *what* after the preposition.

PREPOSITION

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PREPOSITION

OBJECT

Venice is located on

islands

that are in the

Adriatic Sea.

- Circle each object of a preposition. The prepositions are italicized.
 - 1. Venice is a city *in* Italy, a country *in* southern Europe.
 - 2. Venice was an important port during the Middle Ages.
 - 3. Venetian merchants traded with many different countries.
 - 4. Venetian ships traveled between Italy and the Middle East.
 - 5. Marco Polo, the famous explorer of China, was from Venice.
 - 6. Today Venice is famous for beautiful buildings.
 - 7. The Rialto Bridge passes over the Grand Canal in the center of the city.
 - 8. Cars cannot be driven *into* Venice, so *outside* the city are parking lots.
 - 9. People travel *through* the city *on* vaporettos, which are water buses.
 - 10. Tourists ride in gondolas, small boats paddled by large oars.
- Complete each sentence with prepositions.

| 1271 Marco Polo traveled Chin |
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- 2. _____ the trip he passed _____ Turkey, Iran, and Afghanistan.
- 3. His party traveled ______ boat, _____ foot, and _____ camels.
- 4. Marco Polo stayed ______ China _____ 17 years.
- 5. He met people _____ China, India, Mongolia, and other countries.
- 6. He worked _____ the emperor ____ China, Kublai Khan.
- 7. After returning _____ Italy, he wrote a book _____ the trip.
- 8. Many people _____ Italy didn't believe his amazing stories _____ China.
- 9. Marco Polo's book has been translated _____ many languages.
- 10. He may be the most famous traveler _____ the history ____ the world!

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10 Possessive Nouns

A **possessive noun** expresses possession or ownership. The singular possessive is formed by adding -'s after the singular noun. The plural possessive is formed by adding an apostrophe after the final s of a regular plural noun or by adding -'s after an irregular plural noun.

The pyramid is actually a ruler's tomb.

A For each noun write these forms: singular possessive, plural, and plural possessive. Use a dictionary if necessary.

| | SINGULAR POSSESSIVE | PLURAL | PLURAL POSSESSIVE |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------|-------------------|
| 1. turkey | | | |
| 2. neighbor | | | |
| 3. driver | | | |
| 4. sheep | | | |
| 5. child | | | |
| 6. fox | | | |
| 7. teacher | | | |
| 8. woman | | | |
| 9. man | | | |
| 10. sister-in-law | | | |

- B Rewrite each phrase, using a possessive noun.
 - 1. the orders of the coach
 - 2. a delay of an hour
 - 3. the home of my parents __
 - 4. the books of the teacher
 - 5. the toys of the children



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More Possessive Nouns

Notice how the singular and plural possessives are formed.

SINGULAR

PLURAL

REGULAR IRREGULAR student's desk man's car

students' desks men's cars

| Complete each | ı sent | tence with the possess | ive form of the nour | n. |
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| pilot | | A long hours of hard stud | • . | |
| Sally | | in the upstairs closet. | running shoes are | |
| soldiers | 3. | We listened to the rhyt | | arched. |
| Mrs. Riddle | 4. | Tina and Sue washed _ | | car. |
| boys | 5. | The | books are in the | eir backpacks. |
| women | 6. | | coats are on sale thi | is week. |
| Thomas | 7. | Did you find | in-line | skates? |
| brother-in-law | | On Thanksgiving Day v special sweet potatoes | • | |
| deer | 9. | The | large antlers sho | ow that it is quite old. |
| guards | 10. | The security | office i | s near the exit. |

Rewrite each phrase, using a possessive noun.

1. the request of the librarian

| 2. the work of three scientists | |
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| 3. the diagnosis of the doctor | |
| 4. the bicycles of the girls | |
| 5. the cell phones of the workers | |
| 6. the shouts of our children | |
| 7. a pen of Mr. James | |
| 8. the red feathers of the cardinals | |
| 9. the statements of some witnesses | |
| 10. the suitcases of my quests | |

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12 Nouns Showing Separate and Joint Possession

Separate possession occurs when two or more people own things independently. To show separate possession, put -'s after each noun. **Joint possession** occurs when two or more people own something together. To show joint possession, put -'s after the last noun only.

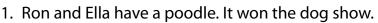
SEPARATE Carl and Peter each did a project. Carl's and Peter's projects

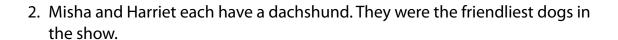
are completed.

Mary and Lisa did a project together. Mary and Lisa's project **JOINT**

is completed.

- Read each sentence. On the line write **S** if separate possession is shown or **J** if joint possession is shown.
 - 1. Jim and Karen's project was a model of an Aztec pyramid.
 - 2. Laura's and Tom's projects are on the table in the hall.
 - 3. Ken and Susan's report is on Benjamin Franklin.
 - 4. Leo and Pablo's assignment was a map of the Oregon Trail.
 - 5. Lou's and Marta's presentations were excellent.
- Read each pair of sentences. Combine each pair into a single sentence that shows separate or joint possession.





- 3. That Labrador retriever belongs to Chris and Jason. It won Best of Breed.
- 4. Elizabeth and Matt each had a cocker spaniel. Those dogs were playful.
- 5. Allison and Nicole each brought a beagle. The dogs chewed on their toys.

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13 Appositives

An appositive is a word that follows a noun and renames the noun or explains its meaning. An appositive phrase is an appositive and its modifiers. A nonrestrictive appositive or appositive phrase is not essential to the meaning of the sentence. It is set off by commas. A **restrictive** appositive or appositive phrase is necessary to the meaning of a sentence. It is not set off by commas.

NONRESTRICTIVE The American flag, a symbol of our country, is red, white, and blue.

(The appositive is not necessary to know what color the flag is.)

The seamstress Betsy Ross is said to have made the first flag. **RESTRICTIVE**

(The appositive is necessary to know who the seamstress was.)

Circle each noun used as an appositive. Underline the noun(s) it renames or describes. On the line write N if the appositive is nonrestrictive or Rif it is restrictive.

- 1. The Continental Congress, a group of American patriots, played a key role in America's fight for independence.
- 2. The Philadelphia patriot Thomas Paine wrote Common Sense.
- 3. The Boston politician Samuel Adams opposed the British tax on tea.
- 4. Thomas Jefferson, a patriot from Virginia, wrote much of the Declaration of Independence.
- 5. John Hancock, the president of the Continental Congress, was the first signer of the Declaration of Independence.
 - 6. The printer and inventor Benjamin Franklin also signed the document.
 - 7. George III, the king of England, sent troops to the colonies.
 - 8. The Battle of Lexington, the first armed fight of the American Revolution, took place on April 19, 1775.
- 9. George Washington, the first president of the United States, had commanded an army during the Revolutionary War.
 - ____ 10. The Polish officer Casimir Pulaski fought at the Battle of Brandywine.
 - 11. The French aristocrat the Marquis de Lafayette also traveled to America to help the colonists.
- 12. The silversmith Paul Revere warned the people that British troops were going to attack soon.
- ____ 13. The redcoats, the British soldiers, could not defeat the colonists.
 - ____ 14. The British leader General Cornwallis lost several battles.
 - ____ 15. Yorktown, the last important battle of the war, was won by the Americans.

14 More Appositives

A subject, a subject complement, a direct object, an indirect object, or an object of a preposition can have an appositive.

Thomas Jefferson, a lawyer, held many public offices. Jefferson became minister to France, the successor of Benjamin Franklin. He designed his own home, Monticello.

The Continental Congress gave Thomas Jefferson, a good writer, the job of drafting the Declaration of Independence.

I am reading about Thomas Jefferson, our third president.

Underline each appositive. Circle the noun it explains.

- 1. Thomas Jefferson studied at the College of William and Mary, a school in Virginia.
- 2. He was appointed to the Second Continental Congress, the colonies' government, in 1775.
- 3. In 1776 Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence, a key document of American history.
- 4. The Declaration of Independence contained a long list of complaints about George III, the king of England.
- 5. In 1784 Jefferson agreed to succeed the U.S. ambassador to France, Benjamin Franklin.
- 6. Because Jefferson did not like to speak in public, as president he gave only two speeches, his inaugural addresses.
- 7. He even made the State of the Union address, the president's annual report to Congress, in writing.
- 8. Usually he did not meet in person with the cabinet, his political advisors.
- 9. Cabinet members sent him memos, summaries of their recommendations.
- 10. The Louisiana Purchase, the most important event in his presidency, took place in 1803.
- 11. Jefferson bought the territory from Napoleon, the leader of France.
- 12. Jefferson paid a low price, only \$15 million dollars, for the entire territory.
- 13. Jefferson ordered his private secretary, Meriwether Lewis, to explore the new land.
- 14. After he left the presidency, Jefferson turned his attention to another interest, architecture.
- 15. Jefferson designed two new projects, the campus of the University of Virginia and a house in Bedford, Virginia.

15 Words Used as Nouns and as Verbs

A noun is a naming word. A verb expresses action or being. Many words can be used both as nouns and as verbs.

NOUN

The study of planets reveals surprising facts.

VERB

Scientists study the planets.

- Above each italicized word write **N** if the word is a noun or **V** if it is a verb.
 - 1. The rings of Saturn are beautiful.
 - 2. What material actually rings the planet?
 - 3. Pieces of ice *form* the rings.
 - 4. Some pieces are tiny ice particles, while others reach the size of icebergs.
 - 5. In 1655 a Dutch astronomer first saw these round forms around Saturn.
 - 6. Whenever possible, space probes photograph the rings up close.
 - 7. Space probes can get close views of planets.
 - 8. With telescopes, scientists could *view* only a few of Saturn's rings.
 - 9. The *photographs* showed many rings around Saturn.
 - 10. Space probes' photographs were a *surprise* to scientists.
 - 11. What could *cause* Saturn's rings?
 - 12. The *cause* may have been an explosion of one of Saturn's moons.
 - 13. Forces slowly *pull* the ice in the rings down toward Saturn.
 - 14. The *pull* of gravity is one of these forces.
 - 15. New discoveries about planets may *surprise* scientists—and us—in the future.
- Use each word in a sentence as a noun or a verb. The part of speech is indicated.
 - 1. study (noun)
 - 2. surprise (verb)
 - 3. photograph (noun)
 - 4. cause (verb)
 - 5. view (noun)



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16 Words Used as Nouns and as Adjectives

A noun is a naming word. An adjective describes a noun. Some words can be used as nouns and as adjectives.

NOUN

ADJECTIVE

NOUN MODIFIED

A bat is a mammal.

Large bat

colonies are found in caves.

For each sentence, write A if the italicized word is used as an adjective or N if it is used as a noun.

| 1. Many people are scared of bats, but bats do a great deal of <i>good</i> . |
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| 2. For example, bats eat <i>insect</i> pests. |
| 3. In one hour a bat can eat between 600 and 1,000 insects. |
| 4. Therefore, bats are <i>good</i> for humans because they eliminate harmful insects. |
| 5. They are also important to some <i>plants</i> . |
| 6. Many <i>plant</i> species depend on bats for pollination. |
| 7. Bats often live in a cave. |
| 8. Bats may sleep in large groups, hanging from the cave ceiling. |
| 9. Some bats spend the winter months in caves. |
| 10. These bats sleep, or hibernate, during the winter. |
| 11. Bats are primarily <i>night</i> animals. |
| 12. They look for food during the <i>night</i> and sleep during the day. |
| 13. Bats use sound to guide their movements. |
| 14. The bats' sound emissions return to them as echoes, which enable the bats to detect objects ahead. |
| 15. The bones in a bat's wing are similar to the bones in a human finger. |
| 16. But the bat's finger bones are quite long. |
| 17. Bats' large wings are covered with membranes. |
| 18. The <i>membrane</i> structures of the wings allow bats to scoop insects in flight. |
| 19. Migration for the winter is characteristic of some bats, as it is for birds. |

20. Some of these *migration* flights take the bats from Mexico to the

United States.

17 Reviewing Nouns

2. *Rice* is a staple of the Japanese diet.

3. Japan has a large *fleet* of modern fishing boats.

5. Respect for the elderly is an important Japanese value.

SINGULAR POSSESSIVE

4. Many automobiles are imported from Japan.

C if it is a concrete noun.

1. Japan is a *democracy*.

6. country

7. child

8. citizen

9. sheep

10. emperor

SUBJECT

S

coat

eye

| 14. The emperor of Japan is the <i>head</i> of state in name only. |
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| 15. The <i>prime minister</i> is the actual head of the government. |

13. Every day speedy bullet trains cross Japan.

__ 12. Sapporo, a large *city* in northern Japan, is a popular resort for skiers.

On the line write how each italicized noun is used. Use the key below.

SUBJECT COMPLEMENT

SC

11. Tokyo is the *capital* of Japan.

..... Date

COLUMN

PLURAL POSSESSIVE

APPOSITIVE

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COLUMN 2

Identify the italicized nouns. In Column 1 write S if the noun is a singular noun or **P** if it is a plural noun. In Column 2 write **A** if the noun is an abstract noun or

Write the singular possessive and the plural possessive forms of each word.

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| | _ 16 | . Fables are | short stories | that illustrate a less | on. | |
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| | _ 18 | . Aesop wro | ote "The Fox a | nd the Grapes." | | |
| | _ 19 | . Many pare | ents read thei | r <i>children</i> fables at l | oedtime. | |

Try It Yourself

Write three sentences about a country or a place that interests you. Be sure that each sentence has a subject. Try to use appositives.

20. My favorite fable is "The Crow and the Pitcher."

Check Your Own Work

Choose a selection from your writing portfolio, a journal, a work in progress, an assignment from another class, or a letter. Revise it, applying the skills you have reviewed. This checklist will help you.

- ✓ Do all the sentences have subjects?
- ✓ Have you used the correct forms of plurals?
- ✓ Have you used apostrophes correctly in possessive nouns?
- ✓ Have you used commas correctly with appositives?