

## NOUNS, VERBS, ADJECTIVES, ADVERBS

### GUIDELINES FOR PRACTICE SENTENCES

1. Print this file and place the answer pages to the side.
2. Cover the answer pages with a sheet of paper, and slide the paper down as you complete each practice sentence.
3. Use colored markers and a highlighter to work on each practice sentence.

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### Directions

1. Mark structural backbones:

Color just the main word of subjects of finite verbs **blue**.

Color auxiliary verbs and main verbs **red**.

Color just the main word of completers of finite verbs **green**.

2. Mark only the parts of speech listed below by placing one of the following abbreviations above the appropriate word:

N	Pn	V	Adj	Adv
nouns	pronouns	main verbs	adjectives	adverbs

N	N	Adv	V
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A **fool** and his **money are** soon **parted**.

Adj	N	V	N
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The early **bird catches** the **worm**.

Adj	N	V	N	N
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No **man is** a **hero** to his valet.

**Parts of Speech: Practice Sentences 1-10**

1. The snake seemed quite embarrassed.
2. Cannibals really love lady fingers.
3. The boogep poogly zilled a yoxy huz.
4. The lights will shine brightly when you get home.
5. Please light the lamp on top of the old oak table.
6. Don't you love this harsh lighting?
7. Can they recommend some hilarious philosophy books?
8. Eating is my Olympic sport
9. That darn snail marathon occupied almost an entire month.
10. Rapacious indigenous cormorants will be getting minimal attention here.

## Parts of Speech: Answers to Sentences 1 - 10

N V adv Adj  
1. The **snake** **seemed** quite **embarrassed**.

N Adv V N N  
2. **Cannibals** really **love** lady **fingers**.  
[*Lady* is an attributive noun modifying *fingers*.]

N adv V Adj N  
3. The **boogep** poogly **zilled** a yoxy **huz**.  
[Even nonsense can make grammatical sense.]

N V Adv Pn V N  
4. The **lights** **will shine** brightly when **you get** home.  
[*When* is a non-coordinating completer. *Home* is an adverbial noun modifying *get*.]

V N N Adj N N  
5. Please **light** the **lamp** on top of the old oak table.  
[*Please* is an adverb modifying the imperative verb *light*.]

Pn V Adj N  
6. **Don't you love** this harsh **lighting**?  
[*Lighting* is a noun made from a verb.]

Pn V Adj Adj N N  
7. **Can they recommend** some hilarious philosophy **books**?  
[*Philosophy* is an attributive noun.]

N Adv V Adj N  
8. **Eating** fast **has been** my Olympic **sport**.  
[*Eating* is a noun made from a verb, so it's modified by an adverb.]

Pn Adj N N V Adv Adj N  
9. That darn snail **marathon** **occupied** almost an entire **month**.  
[*Snail* is an attributive noun; it modifies *marathon*. *Almost* modifies *entire*.]

Adj Adj N V Adj N Adv  
10. Rapacious indigenous **cormorants** **will be getting** minimal **attention** here.