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CHAPTER 1

Grammar

1.1 Parts of Speech

The part of speech of a word depends on its use in the sentence.

NOUN

names a person, place, thing, idea. Mary sings. I went to *Texas*. See the *box*. He showed *indifference*.

PRONOUN

takes place of a noun *He* sings. *Everyone* was tired. Give *them* time. *I* know *whom you* mean.

VERB

a word of action or being.Bill *ran* fast. He *was* happy. The rug *faded*. He *wanted* money.Paula *has been singing*. She *might have seen* me. I *could try* it.(Helping verbs: may can must might shall will should would could have do be.)

ADJECTIVE

modifies noun or pronoun.

The big tree, *Mother's* ring, *a kind* person, *sixteen* blackbirds. ANSWERS the QUESTIONS: WIDCH ONE? WHAT KIND? WHOSE? HOW MANY?

ADVERB

modifies verb, adjective, or other adverb. Ran *swiftly, too* fat, *very simply* done, stated *clearly*. ANSWERS the QUESTIONS: WHERE? WHEN? WHY? HOW?

CONJUNCTION

joins two words, phrases, or clauses. Bob *and* I; down the street *and* around the comer; *While* it snowed, the cat slept.

PREPOSITION

connects a noun or pronoun with rest of sentence and gives some relationship, such as: space (*in* the box), time (*after* school), direction (*toward* the house), cause (*for* his country.)

INTERJECTION

exclamation. Oh! Look at that! Wow! He did it! Alas! We shall not meet again.