

Figure 10.1 Quick Guide to Eight Parts of Speech

Eight Parts of Speech	Role	Examples
Nouns	person, place, or thing	woman, Bennie, Yellowstone National Park, table
Pronouns	substitutions for nouns	he, she, they, it
Adjectives	describe nouns	red (plate), hilarious (book), beautiful (destination)
Verbs	actions	draw, argue, love, be
Adverbs	describe a verb, adjective, or another adverb	The boy ate his lunch <i>slowly</i> . Movies are <i>never</i> as good as the book.
Conjunctions	Linking words or phrases to make more complex sentences	and, but, as, because, not only, so, for
Articles	A word that precedes a noun to show whether it is specific (definite: <i>that</i> cat) or general (indefinite: <i>a</i> cat)	the, a, an, this, that
Prepositions	Describes the relationship between words in terms of direction, time, location, or space	under, inside, in front of, in back of, above, below, through, within, for, at