

First Year Written Expression
(2020-2021)

Practice: Parts of Speech.

Exercise 01: Indicate whether the italicized verb is *an action* or *a linking verb*. Justify your answer

1. The principal *appeared* at 10.a.m.
2. The days *grow* longer.....
3. Farmers *grow* crops.....
4. Her voice *sounded* hoarse.....
5. I *smelled* smoke.....
6. Did you *feel* the cloth?.....
7. She *feels* nervous.....
8. Jane *tasted* the melon.....
9. She *looked* through the whole book.....
10. We *were* exhausted.....
11. Courtney *looked* amazed by the event.....

Exercise 02 : List all the nouns in the following sentences then identify their types.

- 1-The driver stopped at the post office to mail a package
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- 2-Fog forced the airport to close.
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- 3- Mrs.Thrope has invited two sisters and a brother-in-law to her son’s graduation.
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- 4-In March, the weather is unsettled, blackbirds return, and trees begin to send out new leaves.
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- 5-Jamie was in the driveway washing her car with a hose and a few sponges.
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- 6-The Smiths lived on a farm until a week ago when the family moved to town.
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Groups: 1, 2, 3

Exercise 03: Complete the following sentences with *adjective* or *adverb* form of the words in brackets. Justify your choice.

- 1-That pitbull looks(angry)
- 2- She spoke.....(quiet)
- 3-Erica listened to her mother..... (careful)
- 4-Mary makes.....mistakes..... (careless)
- 5-Children grow.....(quick)
- 6-He is very(happy)
- 7-It's raining.....(heavy)
- 8-Morgan was..... hurt in a car accident..... (serious)
- 9-His situation was very.....(serious)
- 10-It is a.....problem.....(simple)
- 11-If you work, you will pass the examination.....(hard)

Exercise 04: Fill in the gaps with *the right adverb form*

- *free/freely*

- 1-You can get the bookif you win the competition
- 2-You can movethroughout the whole building

- *hard/hardly*

- 3-I canbelieve that.

- *high/highly*

- 4-He iseducated man.
- 5-They liveup in the mountains.

- *late/lately*

- 6-I have to worktonight.
- 7-They have not seen him.....

- *near/nearly*

- 8-The project isfinished.
- 9-He lives quite.....

- *wide/widely*

- 10-The window was.....open.
- 11-The opinions of these two research teams differ.....

Groups: 1, 2, 3

Exercise 05: Explain *why* the italicized word is *an adverb*:

- 1-You acted *wisely*
- 2-You acted *very* wisely
- 3-You were *very* wise.....
- 4-She poured the soup *carefully*.....
- 5-She poured *quite* carefully.....
- 6-She was *quite* careful.....
- 7-The apple was *partly* rotten.....
- 8-They behaved *strangely*.....
- 9-I was *so* angry.....
- 10-Were you *really* afraid?.....

Exercise 06 : Fill in the gaps with the adjective *good* or the adverb *well*

- 1-Your exam results were very.....
- 2-I play tennis, but I'm not very.....
- 3- The weather was verywhile we were on holidays.
- 4-I did not sleep very.....at night.
- 5-George speaks German very.....
- 6-George's German is very.....
- 7- Our new business is going very..... at the moment
- 8-I like your jacket. It lookson you.

Exercise 07: Circle *the conjunctions* in the sentences below. Identify each conjunction as coordinating, correlative, or subordinating by writing its *type*.

- 1-Tom and Jim wanted to go to the wrestling meet.....
- 2- Neither the cook nor the baker came to work today.....
- 3- He raced to the plane to board before the doors closed.....
- 4- I'll go wherever you go.....
- 5. Ian Tarter writes and sings his own music.....
- 6- Not only does Jessa take classes training, but she also takes piano lessons.....
- 7- Did the soldiers react calmly or angrily?.....
- 8- We'll rake the leaves when the winds die down.....
- 9- Jack studied for the test, but he didn't pass.....
- 10- Either we'll take the train or we'll take the bus.....

Groups: 1, 2, 3

Exercise 08: Underline each *prepositional phrase* in the sentences below. Circle *the preposition*.

- 1- Pilar and her family went to the beach.
- 2- She received a letter from her father.
- 3- With her savings, she bought a new coat.
- 4- My friend in New York attends Columbia University.
- 5- Dan received an iPod for his birthday.
- 6- The hot dog was eaten by the ants.
- 7- The swimmers jumped into the pool.
- 8- The play on Broadway drew large crowds.
- 9- The black dog jumped off the back porch.
- 10- Maggie saw almost everybody at the rock concert.

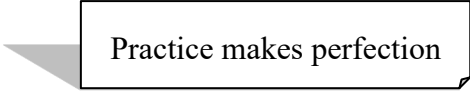
Home Assignments:

Exercise 01 : The following words act as *nouns* and *verbs*. Put each one in two sentences :

Lock- slices-fly-smile-cooks-hand-fast-bridge-monitor-train-effect-hedge.

Exercise 02: Change the following *adverbs* to *adjectives*, then put them in sentences of your own.

Definitely-ably- gradually-unluckily- unfortunately-basically-simply



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