

Preposition

a word that gives meaning
to a sentence by showing
how all the words relate
to each other

Compound

more than one

Noun

a person, place, thing,
or idea

Action Verb

a word that shows action

Verb Phrase

a verb
plus its helping verbs

Subject

the word that tells
who or what
the sentence is about

Negative

a form of the word
"no"

Contraction

a shortened word
("To contract" means
to shorten.)

Declarative
Sentence

makes a statement
(ends with a period)

Interrogative
Sentence

asks a question
(ends with a question mark)

Imperative
Sentence

gives a command
(ends with a period or
an exclamation point)

Exclamatory
Sentence

Gasp!
shows strong feeling
(ends with an
exclamation point)

Conjunction

a connecting word

Direct Object

a noun that receives
the action of a verb

Transitive
Verb

a verb that has a
direct object

(written as "TrV")

Indirect Object

a noun that comes before
the direct object
and tells "to whom" or
"for whom" the action
is being done

Intransitive
Verb

a verb that needs
no object to complete it

(written as "InV")

Modify

to change

(Adjectives and adverbs
are two types of modifiers.)

Adjective

a word that modifies
a noun

Articles

"a, an, the"

(adjectives)

Adverb

a word that modifies
a verb, an adjective,
or another adverb

What do adverbs
tell?

Adverbs tell how,
where,
when,
and how much.

Pronoun

a word that takes the place
of a noun

Antecedent

the noun for which
a pronoun stands

Appositive

a noun that renames
another noun
that comes right before it

Noun of
Direct Address

a proper name
or other noun
used to address someone

Clause

a group of words that
contains a subject and
a verb

Independent
Clause

a clause that can
stand alone
as a sentence

Dependent Clause

a clause that depends on
another clause to help it
make sense

(It cannot stand alone
as a sentence.)

Simple Sentence

contains one
independent clause

Compound Sentence

contains two
independent clauses

Complex Sentence

contains an
independent clause
and a
dependent clause

Interjection

a word or group of words
that has no grammatical
function in a sentence

Verbal

a verb that is used as if
it were a noun, adjective,
or adverb

Participle

a verbal that functions
as an adjective

Gerund

a verbal that functions
as a noun

Infinitive

a verbal that contains
"to" plus a verb;
functions as a noun,
adjective, or adverb

Relative
Pronoun

a pronoun that relates a
clause to a noun;
functions as an
adjective

Intensive
Pronoun

a *-self* pronoun used to
emphasize or intensify
a noun;
functions as an
appositive

Reflexive
Pronoun

a *-self* pronoun that refers
back to the subject;
functions as an
object

Objective Complement

a word that complements
(or completes)
a direct object