

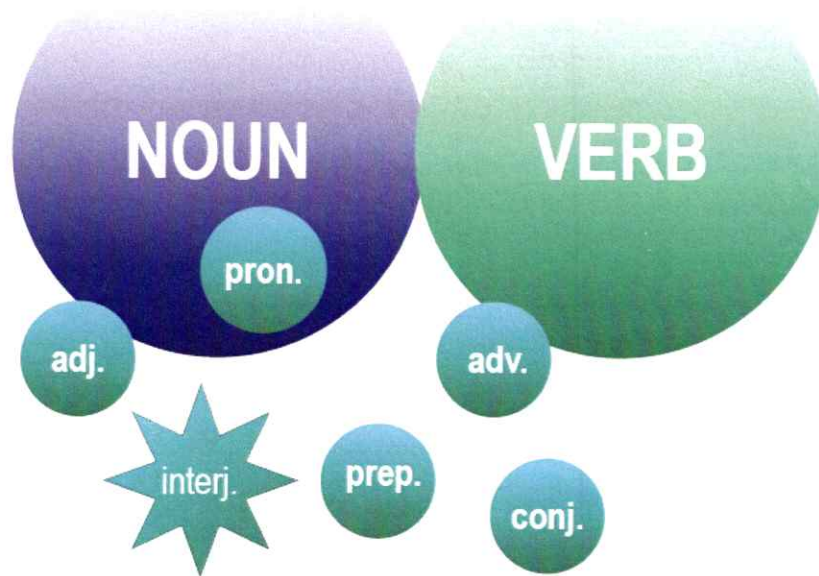


Interjections with *The Word Within the Word* • List #8

In the sentences below, the words in **bold** contain important Latin or Greek stems. In this exercise, write the part of speech of the word in *italics*.

1. Yes, his **sedentary** job left him weak and out of shape. _____
2. The **illegible** handwriting said, "Oh, I give up." _____
3. Wow, the bitter animosity made him lose his **equanimity**. _____
4. No, the **tortuous** highway was torture to drive. _____
5. Ah, NATO, RADAR, SCUBA, and OPEC are **acronyms**. _____
6. Gee, the principles of democracy are **sacrosanct**. _____
7. Why, the werewolf is famous for his **metamorphosis**. _____
8. Wow, the **Petrified** Forest is a desert? _____
9. After the surgery, it was a **miracle** to look in the mirror. _____
10. After the **manual** labor, she needed a **manicure**. _____
11. Ugh! Follow the **directions** if you want correct answers. _____
12. Golly, the noisy crowd made **vociferous** objections. _____
13. Darn, the **demigod** drank from a dainty demitasse cup. _____
14. Phooey, the class reunion left me in a **retrospective** mood. _____
15. The explorer could **sense** the edge of the cliff. *Whew!* _____
16. Yes, it is time to **solidify** the gains *we* have made. _____
17. No, primates are known for **binocular** vision. _____
18. Oh, the **curator** of the museum cared for the Polynesian artwork. _____
19. *Jeepers*, you like **ultramarine** more than ultraviolet? _____
20. Well, what does an **android** resemble? _____

retrospective



Only Eight Parts of Speech

There are only eight kinds of words. If we think about what we have learned, we realize that the parts of speech are simple in concept, even though there are many details to learn. There are *only eight kinds of words*—two main kinds and six kinds that help them. **Nouns** name things, **pronouns** make language fast, **verbs** make actions and equations, **adjectives** and **adverbs** modify nouns and verbs, **prepositions** show relationships, **conjunctions** join, and **interjections** show emotion.

The brilliance of simplicity: Think what this means. We articulate the universe and our lives with only two main words and six helping words. With this simple system, we express everything. Our minds have solved the problem of the complex universe with a strategy of intellectual simplicity.

