

English I Parts of Speech Diagnostic Quiz

Name _____ Date _____ Period _____ Directions:

On the line to the left of the sentence, write the word that is the part of speech indicated in parenthesis.

Example: exploded (ex) (verb) The Blue Streaks running back exploded off the line of scrimmage.

1. _____ (preposition) He walked around the corner.
2. _____ (pronoun) Paul hopes that she will sing with the choir.
3. _____ (pronoun) Can Jerry help him with the science project?
4. _____ (noun) Have you seen the eraser?
5. _____ (noun) The lock was stuck.
6. _____ (noun) She purchased the ice cream with him.
7. _____ (adjective) Older people tire more easily.
8. _____ (adjective) Steven is honest.
9. _____ (adjective) Kind people are often rewarded.
10. _____ (adverb) The officer ran fast.
11. _____ (adverb) My sister answered the questions intelligently.
12. _____ (adverb) You really should see this art exhibit, Kenny.
13. _____ (preposition) Reggie tripped down the stairs.
14. _____ (preposition) Can you jump over the hurdle?
15. _____ (preposition) May I sit between you two?
16. _____ (verb) Ask the question.
17. _____ (verb) The store overcharged me.
18. _____ (verb) Jimmy, eat your spaghetti.
19. _____ (conjunction) I cannot go, for I have too much to do.
20. _____ (conjunction) I like peanuts and potato chips.

Directions: On the line to the left, write the part of speech of the underlined word. To the right, substitute a different word for the underlined word.

noun	adverb	conjunction
pronoun	preposition	interjection
verb	adjective	

1. _____ They attended the concert last weekend. _____
2. _____ Several cats ran into Rob's garage. _____
3. _____ The truck driver delivered the package quickly. _____
4. _____ Fast runners won all the awards at the track meet. _____
5. _____ My friend and I walked home after school. _____
6. _____ I wanted a peanut butter and jelly sandwich for lunch. _____
7. _____ She was counting the ballots during civics class. _____
8. _____ Hey! That was my seat. _____
9. _____ Will they finish the test on time? _____
10. _____ The diagram was fairly complicated. _____
11. _____ He will practice his musical piece soon. _____
12. _____ Ronnie saw the awesome sight from the air. _____
13. _____ Her sister is the oldest member of the group. _____
14. _____ Check the score, Tom. _____
15. _____ Will the students find the answers themselves? _____
16. _____ The child asked for the bike and the scooter. _____
17. _____ They slowly carried the couch down the stairs. _____
18. _____ Sherry talked on the phone until midnight. _____
19. _____ Hurray! Our team has finally scored a goal. _____
20. _____ The troops scattered throughout the woods. _____

What do you find most difficult or misunderstand about the eight parts of speech? Please explain in detail.
