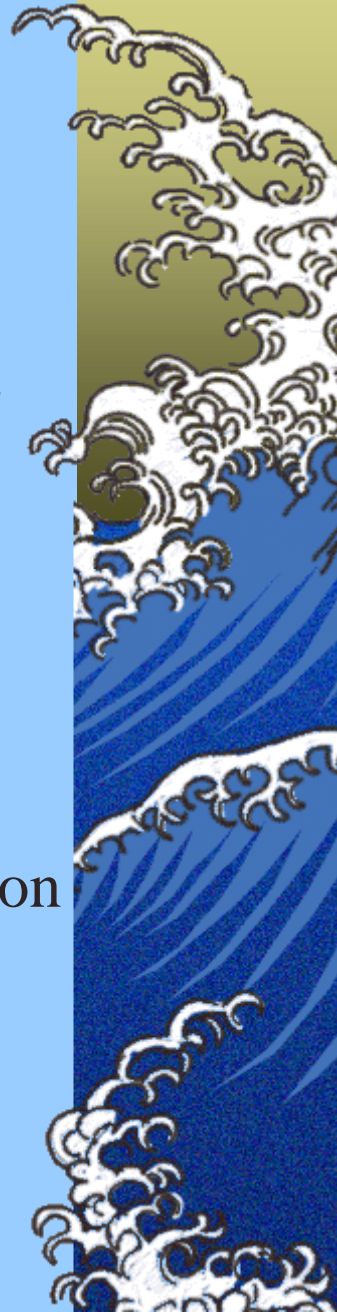


PARTS OF SPEECH

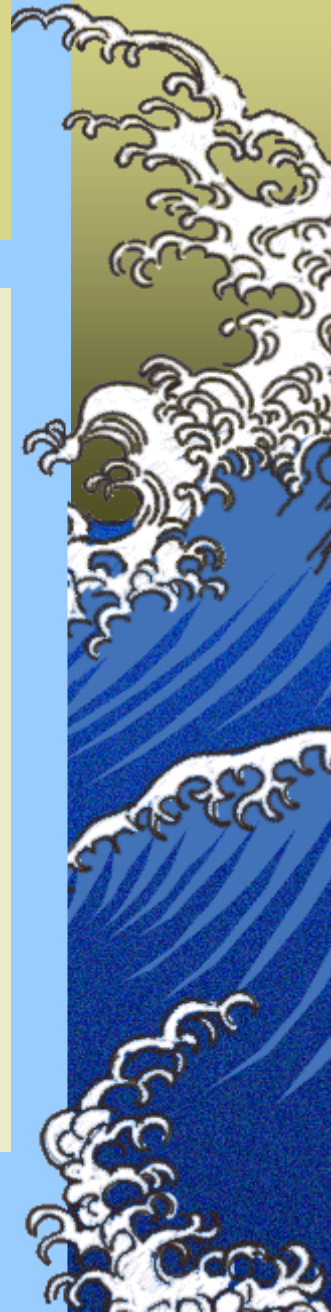
"There is no education like adversity."

Disraeli, *Endymion*



Purpose of presentation:

- ▶ *This presentation provides a very basic introduction to the concept of parts of speech in language. Actually, the study of parts of speech can be quite complicated and involved, but the purpose of this presentation is to give the students a working vocabulary and a way to improve their grasp of grammar.*



In the English language . . .

▲ *There are nine parts of speech . . .*

▲ *Nouns*

▲ *Verbs*

▲ *Pronouns*

▲ *Adjectives*

▲ *Adverbs*

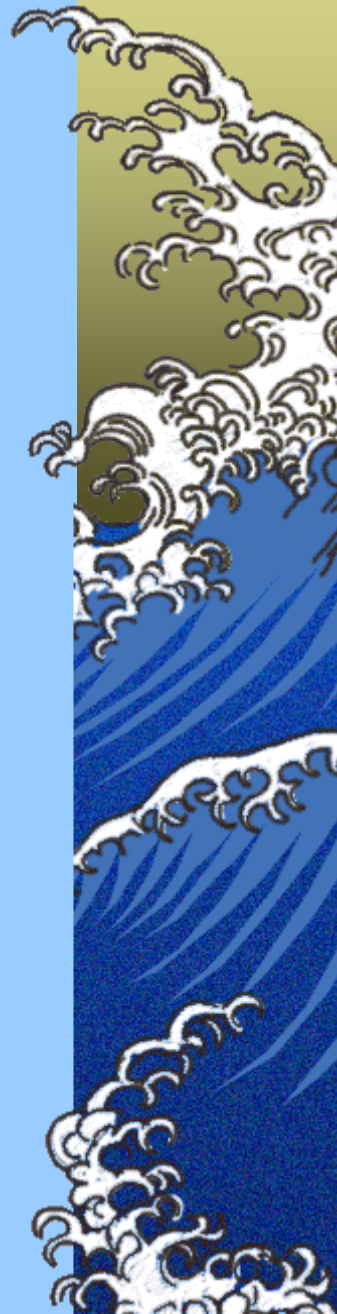
▲ *Conjunctions*

▲ *Articles*

▲ *Prepositions*

▲ *Interjections*

It is important to understand that every word in a sentence has a job to do, a role in the sentence.



Noun: person, place, thing or quality

- ▶ *Person: **Mr. Garcia** likes to eat spinach.*
- ▶ *Place: **Mission** is an old town.*
- ▶ *Thing: To cook you need a couple of **pots**.*
- ▶ *Quality: **Honesty** is a great value to possess.*



Verb: shows action or state of being

- ▶ *Action: He **was running** through the forest.*
- ▶ *State of being: He **was sad** that particular morning.*




Pronoun: takes the place of a noun


- ▶ *Guillermo was studying for the mid-term exam when **he** realized that it was three o'clock in the morning.*
- ▶ *(There are actually many types of pronouns: personal, interrogative, demonstrative, indefinite, relative, possessive, reflexive, reciprocal)*



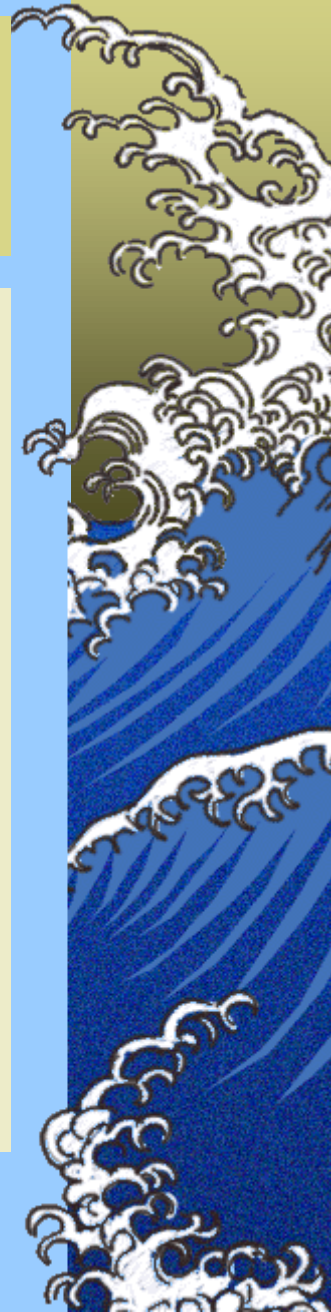
Adjective: describes a noun



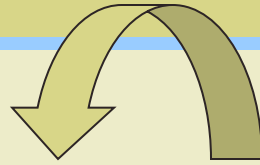
▶ The *beautiful* woman only wanted a couple of pairs of shoes.



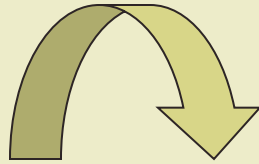
▶ The *rainy* day made us even sadder.



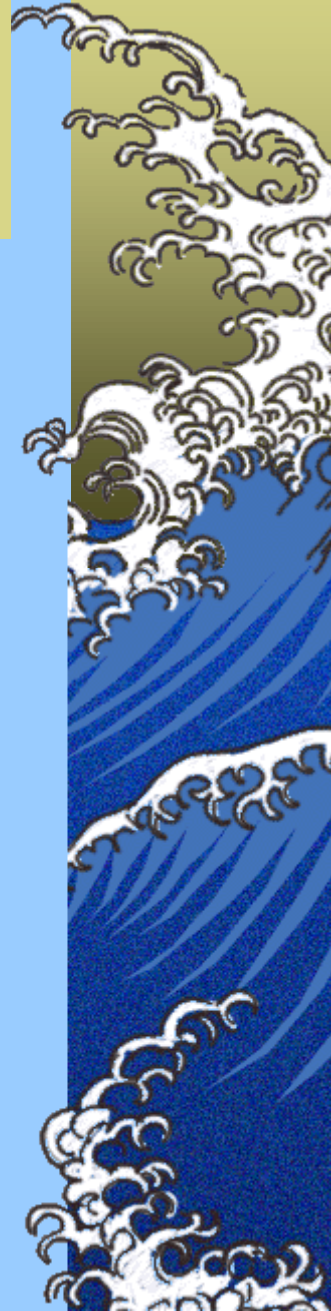
Adverb: describes a verb



▶ *The little girl walked **happily** through the park.*



▶ *The orphan **hungrily** ate the hot stew.*



Conjunctions: words that join words, phrases or sentences

- ▶ *Manuel **and** Marisol loved to cook.*
- ▶ *You will go to school, **or** you will fail.*
- ▶ *I am happy **because** I just received my check.*
- ▶ *It has been cloudy **since** the morning.*



Article: There are only three articles--the, a , an
(*Actually, articles are adjectives and not a
different part of speech*)

- ▶ ***The** bicycle was not only red but shiny.*
- ▶ ***A** yellow moon always appears in
October.*
- ▶ ***An** excellent student, Armando passed all
his exams.*



Preposition: A word or phrase that shows the relationship between the noun that it takes as an object and some other word in the sentence.

▶ *The cat was **on** the table.*

▶ *The dog was **under** the table.*

▶ *These are some common prepositions:*

▶ *For on to up*

▶ *at under above toward*

▶ *With between in behind*

▶ *From upon into off*



Interjections: expressive words

- ▶ *Wow, you knocked that ball out of the park.*
- ▶ *Oh, you really need to take care of yourself.*
- ▶ *Huh, what did you say?*
- ▶ *Ah, now I understand the problem.*



Identify each word in the following sentence

▶ *The beautiful queen was walking slowly on the cool lawn, and she was reading a long book about knights and kings which she enjoyed.*

Check next slide for answers!



▶ *The beautiful queen was walking slowly*

article

adjective

noun

verb

verb

adverb

▶ *on the cool lawn, and she was reading a*

preposition

article

adjective

noun

conjunction

pronoun

verb

verb

article

▶ *long book about knights and kings which*

▶

adjective

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conjunction

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preposition

▶ *she enjoyed.*

▶

Pronoun

verb



Assignment: Identify parts of speech

1. The queen knew that she would be the only pretty woman at the party.
2. The king did not know if he was going to make the cake, and he was afraid to tell the queen.
3. The thin waitress told the customers that they desperately needed to go on a diet.
4. I ran many miles every day, and I couldn't lose a pound.
5. This quiz was a piece of cake.

