Parts of Speech

There are eight **parts of speech** in the English language: noun, pronoun, verb, adjective, adverb, preposition, conjunction, and interjection. The **part of speech** indicates how the word functions in meaning as well as grammatically within the sentence.

Nouns

Names person, place, thing, idea
Examples: book, dog, Sam, air, freedom

Pronoun

• Used in place of a noun or another pronoun

• Examples: I, you, he, she, their, them, they, all, myself, that, which, whom, those, nothing

Adjective

- Used to modify (or describe) a noun or pronoun
- <u>Gray sky, five</u> fingers, <u>this</u> picture, <u>either</u> car, <u>cheese</u> sandwich,
- Includes the "articles": a, an, the

A Verb is a word that...

- Does an Action
 - exclaimed, ran, eat, sang, thinks
- Shows a State of Being
 - am, is, are, was, were, be, being, been
- Links two words together
 - They are a problem. I am tired.
 - like an = sign
- Helps another verb
 - will call, does (not) want, have borrowed, had played

Am * is * are was were * be * being* been ** have has had * do does did * shall will should would may might must** can could

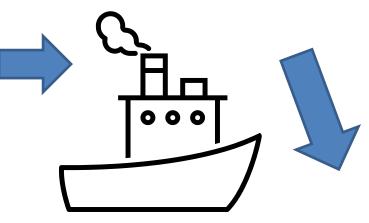
Adverb

- Modifies verb, adjective, or another adverb
- He arrived early.
- We lived there.
- She quickly agreed.
- They partly completed their homework.



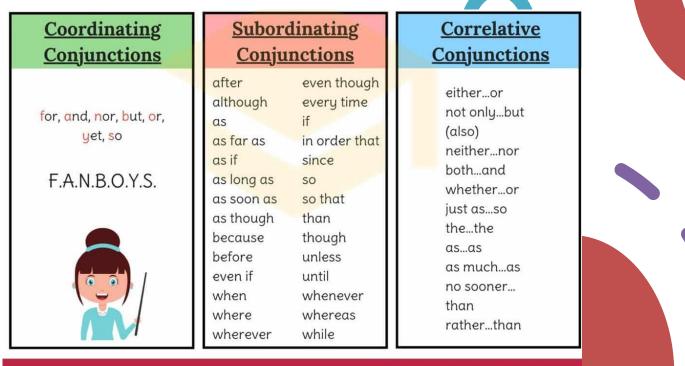
Preposition

- Word that shows the relationship of a noun or pronoun to another word
- At, for, over, under, for, until, without
- Think: THE BOAT



Conjunction

Joins words or groups of words





Interjection

- Word that expresses emotion
- No grammatical relationship to the rest of the sentence
- Oops, hey, whoa, yeah, yea, uh-oh

