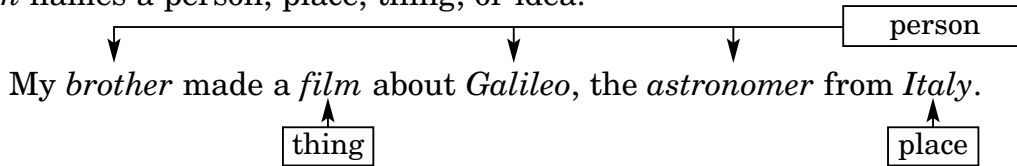


The definitions and examples here and on the next two pages will help you remember the parts of speech and how they are used in sentences. As you work through this book, refer to these pages if you need a reminder.

A *noun* names a person, place, thing, or idea.

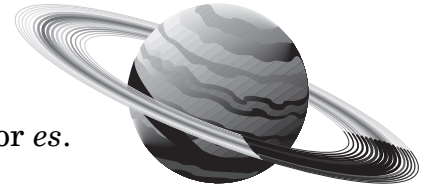


A *singular noun* names one.

planet scientist wish compass

A *plural noun* names more than one and usually ends in *s* or *es*.

planets scientists wishes compasses



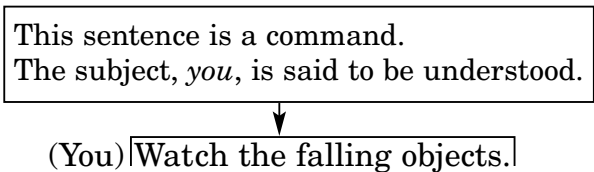
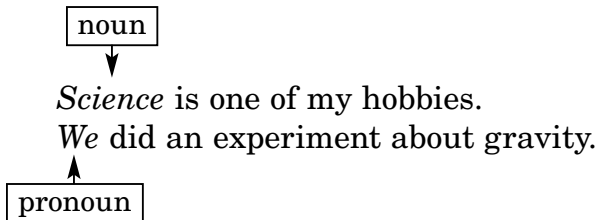
A *pronoun* replaces a noun.

Sam told James about his latest space video.
He told *him* about *it*.

The noun that a pronoun replaces is called the pronoun's *antecedent*.
 A pronoun must agree with its antecedent:

- If the noun is singular, the pronoun must be singular.
 - If the noun names a male, use the pronoun *he* or *him*.
 - If the noun names a female, use the pronoun *she* or *her*.
 - If the noun names a thing, use the pronoun *it*.
 - If the noun is plural, use the pronouns *we*, *us*, *they*, *them*, and *you*.
- Use the pronouns *I*, *me*, and *you* as personal pronouns.

The simple subject of a sentence is always a noun or pronoun.



REMEMBER
 A subject names something.

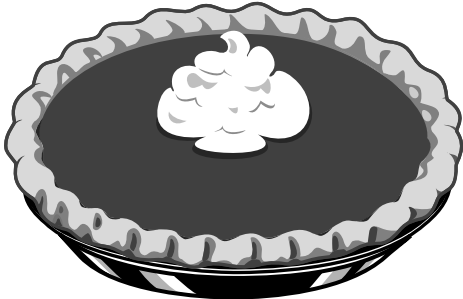
These pronouns can be subjects: *I*, *you*, *he*, *she*, *it*, *we*, *they*.
 They are called *subjective pronouns*.

A *noun clause* is a dependent clause that is used the same way as a noun. It can be a subject, a direct object, a predicate nominative, or an object of a preposition.

noun clause
Whatever you are cooking smells delicious. subject
 Did you enjoy *what you had for dinner*? direct object
 My question is *whether you have room for dessert*. predicate nominative
 This pie is for *whoever wants it*. object of preposition

These are words that introduce noun clauses.

how	whatever	whether	whoever
if	when	which	whomever
that	where	whichever	whose
what	wherever	who	why



Underline the noun clause in each sentence. Write whether it is used as a subject, a direct object, a predicate nominative, or an object of a preposition.

Example: I use chocolate in whatever I bake. *object of preposition*

1. How do you know when the cake is ready? _____
2. I do whatever the recipe says. _____
3. Whoever invented this recipe had a great idea. _____
4. My opinion is that chocolate is the world's best flavor. _____
5. How you made those chocolate roses is a mystery to me. _____
6. May I try a piece of whatever Marty is having? _____

7. Write a paragraph about chocolate. Make sure it has at least two noun clauses.

Here are some guidelines for using the apostrophe.

- Use an apostrophe to replace missing letters in a contraction.

does not → doesn't could not → couldn't do not → don't
 you have → you've we would → we'd we had → we'd

't

- Put an apostrophe before the letter *s* for singular possessives and for irregular plural possessives.

the horse's hoof Carl's boots Bob Hess's house
 the children's room the deer's antlers

's

- Put an apostrophe after the letter *s* for plural possessives.

the horses' heads the Percys' house

s'

Write a contraction for each phrase.

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1. should not _____ | 4. we have _____ |
| 2. they would _____ | 5. could not _____ |
| 3. you will _____ | 6. he had _____ |

Write a possessive noun for each group of words.

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|-----------------------------------|-------|
| 7. the voices of the cheerleaders | _____ |
| 8. the house of the Williamses | _____ |
| 9. the smile of Lois | _____ |
| 10. the bicycle of my cousin | _____ |
| 11. the cars of the women | _____ |

12. Write a paragraph that has a contraction, one singular possessive, and one plural possessive.

Editing is the process of improving a piece of writing by correcting errors in usage and errors in capitalization and punctuation. This story contains several errors. Circle each error you find. Write the story correctly on the lines below and on the next page. The first sentence is done for you.

Me and Jerry didn't never want to see the inside of that cave again. We was lost in there for more longer than two hours. i don't know which of the two of us was gladdest to see the sun shining so at the mouth of the cave.

It all started when jerry which is my neighbor across the street invited my brother and myself on a hike. Well, no one didn't think of bringing a flashlight I never expected to find a cave. Right behind the waterfall

We followed the path around the falls. It kept getting narrower Jerry and me kept going. But not my brother Travis. He decided that it would be more safer to wait near the waterfall.

Travis had warned Jerry and I about the danger of going into the cave. We crept quiet through the entrance. It was real dark inside. we gradual made our way farthest into the cave

Soon we couldn't see nothing but blackness. Something brushed quick against the back of my neck. I started to run, but I tripped. Over Jerry. We yelled for help but no one could hear he or I.

Jerry and I didn't ever want to see the inside of that cave again.