

## KS2 Types of words (part one)

### Nouns and pronouns

Nouns are basically the names of things. There are a few different types of nouns:

1. **Common nouns** are the names of people, places or objects (for example: table, phone or book are all common nouns).
2. **Proper nouns** are the names of a particular person, place or thing. They will always start with a capital letter (for example Adam, Leeds or Friday are all proper nouns).
3. **Pronouns** are words that take the place of nouns (for example he, she, them and it are all pronouns).

Example sentences:

- *Louise went to **Scotland** on **Monday** and took **her** bike.*
- *She went to **Wales** and took **it** with **her**.*
- *She took **it** **there**.*

### Verbs

A verb is a doing or action word. Verbs tell us what someone or something is doing. Run, drive, make, fly are all examples of verbs.

Example sentences:

- *I **walk** to school.*
- *She **went** home after the lesson.*
- *Bob always **makes** a mess in the kitchen.*

### Adjectives

An adjective is a describing word. Adjectives are used to describe nouns and can come before or after the noun in a sentence. Big, small, bright, dark, and horrible are all examples of adjectives.

When you're writing have a go at putting adjectives in different places in sentences to keep your writing as interesting as possible! You can also try using more than one adjective to describe something (just make sure you separate them with commas).

Example sentences:

- *Jim ran up a **steep** hill.*
- *Lucy jumped over a **massive** fence.*
- *I walked into a **huge, dark, scary** forest.*

## Adverbs

An adverb is a word that describes a verb. Quickly, slowly, rudely and loudly are all examples of adverbs. (Tip: adverbs usually end in "ly").

Example sentences:

- *Gwen ran to the show **quickly**.*
- *Alistair shouted **loudly**.*
- *I did my homework **carefully**.*

## Activity

Try writing some different sentences about the things you have done at school this term. When you've written each sentence go back and pick out the different types of words you have used. Put them in lists for nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs.