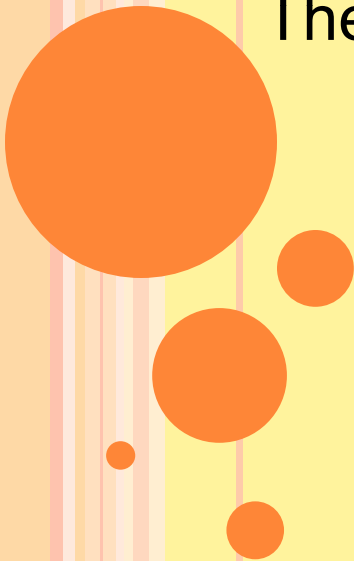


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**Word Classes**



# INTRODUCTION

- Words are the smallest units in the sentence
- Eight parts of speech
- More words than the parts of speech in the sentence
- Each word is important and has function in the sentence
- Words can be divided into two types



## Open words classes :

- Coin new words
- Add new words
- Open ended membership
- Maintain or change class within them



## Open word classes

Words	Symbols	Examples
NOUNS	N.	river, Mohan, table, beauty, village, castle, ...
VERBS	V	go, run, play, water, give, watch, appear,...
ADJECTIVE S	Aj	hot, empty, warm, clever, happy, bad, ....
ADVERB	Av	quite, very, too, often, carefully, so, down, ....

## Noun

- Meaning** : A naming word of a place, person, or thing
- Types** : Proper, common, - countable & uncountable, abstract nouns.
- Function** : As the head in the noun phrase
- Form** : By adding suffixes- -er, -hood, -ence, -ness, singular to plural by -s or -es

## Adjective

- Meaning** : Describing or qualifying word to noun.
- Types** : Descriptive or qualifying adjectives.
- Function** : As modifier in noun noun phrase or head in adjective phrase
- Form** : Most adjectives formed with -er, -est as suffixes, full,



# Verbs

**Meaning** : Describe action , event, process, activities, states.

**Types** : Regular & irregular verbs

**Function** : As main verb in verb phrase

**Form** : Vo, Vs, Ved, Ven, Ving

## Adverbs

**Meaning:** Add information to noun or sentence


**Types** : Based on question test- manner, place, place, direction, time, duration, degree, frequency

**Fuction** : As modifier in noun phrase or head in adverb phrase

**Form** : By adding -l y to adjectives



## A. Closed words classes

- **limited words in the class**
  - **can't coin new words**
  - **can't add new words**
  - **all words are fixed & definite**
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# Closed word classes

Closed words	Symbol	Examples
Determiners	d	The, this, that, all, some, any, little etc.
Pronouns	P	I, me, us, somebody, it, this, many etc
Conjunction	Cj	Or, but, till, so that, since, as if, and etc
Operator verb	V	Am, was, do, did, has, had, will, may etc
Interjection	Ij	Ugh, phew, oh, ouch, ah, wow etc
Preposition	p	On, at, to, via, through, below, up etc

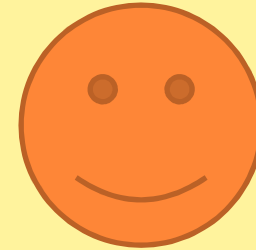


## Conclusion:

- Word classes used in the grammar.
- Words are unique in function.
- Open word classes are major words and function as either as head or modifier in the phrases
- Closed words are minor words and function as modifiers in the phrases



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