

1) Which of these is a noun?

- ☐ a) Joy.
- ☐ b) Computer.
- ☐ c) Autocracy.
- ☒ d) All of the above.

1) The correct answer is d. Options a, b and c are examples of abstract, things and ideas nouns.

2) Nouns can be:

- ☐ a) Common.
- ☐ b) Proper.
- ☐ c) Verbs.
- ☒ d) Options a and b.

2) The correct answer is d. Although verbs are one of the eight parts of speech, they have different properties from nouns.

3) You can tell whether words are proper nouns because:

- ☒ a) They refer to a particular person, place or idea.
- ☐ b) They do not have a capital letter.
- ☐ c) They are general.
- ☐ d) They denote a class of people, places, or ideas.

3) The correct answer is a. Common nouns refer to a class, whilst proper nouns denote a specific member of that class.

4) What is an eponym?

- ☐ a) A proper noun.
- ☒ b) They are derived from proper nouns.
- ☐ c) They are derived from verbs.
- ☐ d) They are derived from common nouns.

4) The correct answer is b. Eponyms are common nouns or verbs that are derived from a proper noun.

5) Which of these words is an eponym?

- ☐ a) Couch.
- ☐ b) Phone book.
- ☒ c) Boycott.
- ☐ d) All of the above.

5) The correct answer is c. The word *boycott* is derived from the proper noun *Captain Charles Boycott*. However, it has become a verb and therefore does not take a capital letter.



6) "*This little piggy went to the market; this little piggy stayed home.*" Select the correct option:

- ☐ a) "Piggy" is a proper noun.
- ☐ b) "Market" is a eponym.
- ☒ c) "Home" is a common noun.
- ☐ d) All of the above are correct.

6) The correct answer is c.



7) Which of these is a proper noun?

- ☐ a) Jane.
- ☐ b) Spain.
- ☐ c) Microsoft.
- ☒ d) All of the above.

7) The correct answer is d. All of the options are specific members of a general class and should be written with capital letters.



8) Which is correct?

- ☐ a) I studied philosophy.
- ☒ b) I enjoyed working with my English teacher.
- ☐ c) One of my favorite subjects is science.
- ☐ d) I would like to be a Physicist one day.

8) The correct answer is b. Academic disciplines are given a capital letter, but when describing a general subject, it is considered a common noun.

9) What is a concrete noun?

- ☒ a) It is a noun that can be touched.
- ☐ b) It is a noun that cannot be touched.
- ☐ c) It is a derivative of a proper noun.
- ☐ d) None of the above.

9) The correct answer is a. Concrete nouns can be physically touched such as a CD, wall and plant. Strictly speaking, the thing to which a concrete noun refers can be touched. Nouns don't actually exist in a material way.

10) Which of the sentences below is correct?

- ☐ a) I am Danish.
- ☐ b) The Danes are a lovely people.
- ☐ c) Hamlet was a great Dane.
- ☒ d) All of the above

10) The correct answer is d. All of the nouns used in sentences were proper nouns and were therefore given a capital letter.