

**Eight Parts of Speech Pre-Test**

**Name:**

**Period:**

**Directions: List all eight parts of speech in the box below.**

1.	2.
3.	4.
5.	6.
7.	8.

**Directions: Use the list of words above as a word bank to the definitions written below.**

\_\_\_ Preposition \_\_\_ 9. A word that shows the relationship between a noun or a pronoun and another word in a sentence.

\_\_\_ Interjection \_\_\_ 10. A word(s) that shows strong emotion or surprise.

\_\_\_ Noun \_\_\_ 11. Names person, place, thing, or idea.

\_\_\_ Adjective \_\_\_ 12. A word that describes a noun or a pronoun.

\_\_\_ Verb \_\_\_ 13. A word that expresses action or state of being.

\_\_\_ Conjunction \_\_\_ 14. A word(s) that connects other words or groups of words.

\_\_\_ Pronoun \_\_\_ 15. A word that takes place of one or more nouns.

\_\_\_ Adverb \_\_\_ 16. A word that modifies a verb, an adjective, or another adverb.

**Directions: Choose A, B, C, or D to identify the part of speech of the *italicized* word.**

\_\_\_ C \_\_\_ 17. Mary excused *herself* from the table.

- A. preposition
- B. noun
- C. pronoun
- D. adverb

\_\_\_ A \_\_\_ 18. How many decimal places of pi can you *name*?

- A. verb
- B. adjective
- C. conjunction
- D. pronoun

\_\_\_ D \_\_\_ 19. I swam *from* the raft.

- A. adverb
- B. interjection
- C. noun
- D. preposition

\_\_\_ B \_\_\_ 20. *Either* Fred *or* Manuela will bring music for the party.

- A. interjection
- B. conjunction
- C. preposition
- D. adjective

**Directions: Circle the adverb in each sentence then tell me if it answers the question *where, when, or how.***

21. My parents left **yesterday**. \_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_

22. Jan sang very **loudly**. \_\_\_ How \_\_\_\_\_

23. The man ran **quickly** as the dog chases him **through** the park. \_\_\_ How, where \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions: State whether the *italicized* word is an adjective (ADJ) or an adverb (ADV).**

ADJ 24. The iron is very *hot*.

ADV 35. Joe dresses very *informally*.

ADJ 36. Jan is very *helpful* if you need help with your computer.

**Put in the correct commas in each sentence:**

27. A long river, the Mississippi can be said to divide the United States into two parts, west and east.

28. When you are traveling west from Philadelphia, you arrive in Chicago long before you arrive in Salt Lake City.

29. "Seeing the country by car," said my tour guide, "is really the best way to learn what being an American is all about."

30. Getting to a scheduled airline flight these days can be very difficult due to the requirement that you take off your shoes and jacket, throw away your water bottle, and show your ticket before you enter the gate area.

31. On the other hand, there is no mode of travel that is faster, easier, simpler, and more modern than air flight.

**Identify the sentence as 'S' simple, or 'C' compound:**

S 31. We bought tickets to the hockey game.

S 32. We sat toward the center of the rink.

C 33. Hockey is a fast game and fans shriek with excitement.

C 34. Hockey players are careful but they still get hurt often.

S 35. The goalie on each team stays near the end of the rink.

C 36. Players obey the rules or they receive penalties.

S 37. Hockey is a popular sport in many countries around the world.

C 38. Hockey players move quickly or they miss a goal.