
Grammar Quiz

Can you identify the nouns, verbs, adjectives, conjunctions, prepositions, and adverbs in the following sentences? Next to each word (below), write down what type of word you think it is:

1.

The famous author arrived at his conclusion and then quickly summarised his complex argument.

- **The** =
- **famous** =
- **author** =
- **arrived** =
- **at** =
- **his** =
- **conclusion** =
- **and** =
- **then** =
- **quickly** =
- **summarised** =
- **his** =
- **complex** =
- **argument** =

2.

The tests required a very long time but after this extensive period the writing process was very brief.

- **The** =
- **tests** =
- **required** =
- **a** =
- **very** =
- **long** =
- **time** =
- **but** =
- **after** =
- **this** =
- **extensive** =
- **period** =
- **the** =
- **writing** =
- **process** =
- **was** =
- **very** =
- **brief** =

See if you were correct by looking at the answers on the next page!

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Which ones did you label correctly? Revise the definition of any that were incorrect by looking at the handout on Essential Definitions.

1.

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- **The** = definite article
- **famous** = adjective
- **author** = noun
- **arrived** = verb
- **at** = preposition
- **his** = pronoun
- **conclusion** = noun
- **and** = conjunction
- **then** = adverb
- **quickly** = adverb
- **summarised** = verb
- **his** = pronoun
- **complex** = adjective
- **argument** = noun

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- **The** = definite article
- **tests** = noun
- **required** = verb
- **a** = indefinite article
- **very** = adverb
- **long** = adjective
- **time** = noun
- **but** = conjunction
- **after** = adverb
- **this** = pronoun
- **extensive** = adjective
- **period** = noun
- **the** = definite article
- **writing** = adjective
- **process** = noun
- **was** = verb
- **very** = adverb
- **brief** = adjective