Parts of Speech

**Articles:** a, an, the

**Noun**: (People, places, things, ideas, feelings)

Proper – Personal Names, Cities, Book tiltles, Planets, Businesses, Schools, etc.

Common- things, objects

Tangible – anything that can be touched or felt; *book, sidewalk, sandwich*

Intangible – things that exist in idea or thought; *love, fear, idea, wisdom, time*

Collective – groups of things; *pod, tribe, team, flock, herd*

Singular – only one thing; *book*

Plural – more than one thing; *books*

**Pronoun**: (substitutes for nouns)

*he, she, it, they, them, her, him, me*

**Adjective**: (modifiers that describe nouns) *big, small, dark, colorful, heavy, broken, dumb*

Qualitative – *good, bad, happy, sad, wasteful, new, old, rough, smooth*

Dimensional – *large, small, long, short, tall,*

Quantitative – *many, few, several,*

**Verb**: (describes action taken by a noun) *run, swim, think, eat, hate, love, tease, help*

Transitive – need to be followed by something that receives the action(a direct object); *hit, sawed, helped,*

*painted*

Intransitive – verbs that can stand alone; *ran, thought, shopped, swam*

Helping/Linking/verbs of “being” – *am, is,are, was, were, have, had, will,*

**Adverbs**: (modifiers that describe how a verb is done. Most end in –ly)

*quickly, slowly, helpfully, happily, disgustingly, colorfully*

**Conjunctions**: (Words that join one clause to another*) and, or, but, as, however*

**Prepositions**: (words that begin to tell you where something is)

*around, under, beneath, through, underneath, behind, on, in, with, from, etc.*

**Prepositional phrase**: (clauses that begin with a preposition)

*Around the corner, under the chair, without a paddle, from my dear old aunt*

Some prepositional phrases are *adjective clauses* such as; The dog *with the red collar*

Some prepositional phrases are *adverb clauses* such as; I walked *with a quick stride.*

**Direct Object**: ( Receives the *action* of a verb)

I took my *book* to the library. She brought her *coffee*  to school with her.

**Indirect Object**: (part of a prepositional phrases that shows what happens to a direct object)

I took my book to the *library*. She brought her coffee to *school* with her.