

Mixed Language Activities

Exercise 1: Parts of Speech (15 marks)

Read the paragraph below and then write the bolded words into the correct 'Parts of Speech' categories in the table.

Yesterday the *doctor* **quickly** ran to the **emergency room**. He had received a message on his **pager** that there was an **urgent** case waiting for him. He tried to get through the **crowds** in the **hallway** but found that it was proving to be **difficult**. It was **slow** going, but eventually he managed to push his way through. When he got through the **doorway**, he saw a very **pale-faced** woman supporting her husband's body. He had a garden fork sticking out of his **bloody** foot. There was a **family** with eleven children also waiting. **Suddenly**, one of the children fainted, and so the doctor rushed the man out of the room.

Common Noun	Collective Noun	Adverb of Manner	Adverb of Time	Adjective

Find a recap on 'Parts Of Speech' on the following site: <https://goo.gl/KgrHYf> Find more detailed information on types of adverb on: <http://goo.gl/r3RO2c>

Exercise 2: 'Simple, Compound and Complex Sentences' (10 marks)

Say whether the below sentences are simple, compound or complex sentences. Discuss your reasoning with a friend.

E.g.: Jacob's eye was oozing a strange yellow puss. - This is a Simple Sentence.

Verbal explanation: "We know this because there are no co-ordinating conjunctions or connectives used."

- Jonathan and Bongani rushed to the hospital after Jonathan cut off his thumb.
- Jenny wants to be a doctor.
- The hospital staff felt exhausted but they made an effort to stay positive.
- Henry's heart was beating far too fast so he asked his mother to take him to the doctor.
- Clayton and Tertius enjoyed racing around the hospital in the wheelchairs.
- The nurse looked down Shamiela's throat however, she could not see any sign of the bone that she had swallowed.
- The hospital floors were shiny and stark.
- Janet's wrist was still very sore even though she had been given painkillers.
- The bin was full of needles because the doctor had given at least fifty injections that day.
- Mmusi climbed back into his hospital bed and he closed his eyes to try and get some sleep.

A recap of the rules and more practice exercises on simple, compound and complex sentences can be found on: <http://goo.gl/qPcylt>

Exercise 3: 'Punctuation' (15 marks) Punctuate the below sentences.

1. what do you think you are doing, shouted the nurse to the man running down the passage.
2. the patient felt frightened when he saw the scalpel that the doctor was holding
3. Donalds drip was almost finished so he buzzed the nurse for a topup.
4. "what did you" Jonis words trailed off as she was distracted by a very ill looking man.
5. michael smiled patiently even though he was feeling extremely annoyed by the hysterical woman
6. Havilah's family surprised her with a funfilled visit they snuck in through the emergency exit after visiting hours