Class 3 Grammar Adventure

Learn Grammar the Easy and Fun Way!

For ICSE Class 3 Students

Welcome to Your Grammar Journey!

Hello, young learner! This chapter is your guide to mastering grammar. Each topic has **easy explanations**, **fun examples**, **cool tips**, and **lots of practice questions**. Read slowly, try the examples, and solve the questions to become a grammar star! Mistakes are okay—they help you learn!

1 Nouns: The Naming Superstars

1.1 What is a Noun?

A noun is a word that **names** a person, place, thing, or animal. Think of it as a label for something you can see or imagine!

Ravi (person), school (place), book (thing), cat (animal).

If you can point to something and give it a name, it's a noun!

1.2 Types of Nouns

Nouns come in different types. Let's explore them:

- **Common Nouns:** General names for things. Example: boy, city, table, dog.
- **Proper Nouns:** Specific names, always with a **capital letter**. Example: Ravi, Delhi, Taj Mahal.
- **Singular Nouns:** Name one thing. Example: pen, girl.
- **Plural Nouns:** Name more than one. Add "-s" or "-es". Example: pens, girls, boxes.
- **Collective Nouns:** Name a group. Example: team (group of players), flock (group of birds).
- **Compound Nouns:** Made of two or more words:
 - **Open:** Two words together. Example: ice cream.
 - **Closed:** One word. Example: notebook.
 - **Hyphenated:** Joined by a hyphen. Example: mother-in-law.

Genders of Nouns:

- Masculine: Male. Example: king, boy.
- Feminine: Female. Example: queen, girl.
- o Common: Can be male or female. Example: teacher, child.
- **Neuter:** Things (not male or female). Example: table, book.

Don't mix up common and proper nouns! "City" is common, but "Mumbai" is proper because it's specific. Always use a capital letter for proper nouns!

To make plurals: Add "-s" (cat \rightarrow cats). For words ending in "-s", "-sh", "-ch", or "-x", add "-es" (box \rightarrow boxes). For "-y" words, change to "-ies" (baby \rightarrow babies), but not if there's a vowel before "y" (toy \rightarrow toys).

1.3 Uses of Nouns

Nouns can be:

- **Subject:** Who or what the sentence is about. Example: *Ravi plays*.
- **Object:** What the action is done to. Example: *Ravi kicks the ball.*

1.4 Try It Out!

Practice Time!

Let's practice nouns with these fun exercises! Try them all to become a noun expert.

- 1. Underline the nouns in these sentences:
 - (a) The dog chases the cat in the garden.
 - (b) Mumbai and Delhi are big cities in India.
 - (c) The teacher gave a book to Ravi.
 - (d) A flock of birds flew over the house.
- 2. Circle whether each noun is common (C) or proper (P):
 - (a) Table (C/P)
 - (b) India (C/P)
 - (c) River (C/P)
 - (d) Ganga (C/P)
- 3. Make these nouns plural:
 - (a) Cat

- (b) Box
- (c) Baby
- (d) Toy
- 4. Identify the type of compound noun (open, closed, hyphenated):
 - (a) Ice cream
 - (b) Notebook
 - (c) Brother-in-law
- 5. Write the gender of each noun (masculine, feminine, common, neuter):
 - (a) Queen
 - (b) Table
 - (c) Teacher
 - (d) Boy
- 6. Write two sentences: one with a collective noun and one with a proper noun.
- 7. Correct the mistakes in these sentences:
 - (a) delhi is a city. (Hint: Check capitalization)
 - (b) I have two cat. (Hint: Check plural form)

2 Pronouns: The Noun Replacers

2.1 What is a Pronoun?

A pronoun **replaces** a noun to avoid repeating it. Instead of "Ravi is happy. Ravi plays.", say "Ravi is happy. **He** plays."

Sita has a book. She reads it.

Pronouns make sentences shorter and sound better!

2.2 Types of Pronouns

- Personal Pronouns:
 - **Subject Pronouns:** Do the action. Example: I, you, he, she, it, we, they. *She runs*.
 - **Object Pronouns:** Receive the action. Example: me, you, him, her, it, us, them. *Ravi sees her.*
- **Possessive Pronouns:** Show ownership. Example: mine, yours, his, hers, ours, theirs. *This book is mine.*

• **Demonstrative Pronouns:** Point to things. Example: this, that, these, those. *This is my pen.*

Don't mix subject and object pronouns! Say "I play" (not "me play") and "She helps me" (not "She helps I").

To pick the right pronoun, try the sentence without it. Example: "Ravi and (I/me) went." Think: "Ravi and I went" (not "me went").

2.3 Try It Out!

Practice Time!

Get ready to master pronouns with these exercises! Try all to shine.

- 1. Fill in the blanks with the correct pronoun (subject or object):
 - (a) Ravi is tired. __ (he/him) needs to rest.
 - (b) The book is new. _ (It/They) is on the table.
 - (c) Sita and __ (I/me) are friends.
 - (d) The teacher gave __ (we/us) homework.
- 2. Circle the possessive pronoun in each sentence:
 - (a) This pencil is hers.
 - (b) The bag is mine, not yours.
- 3. Choose the correct demonstrative pronoun:
 - (a) _ (This/These) is my book.
 - (b) _ (That/Those) are my shoes.
- 4. Write two sentences: one with a possessive pronoun and one with a demonstrative pronoun.
- 5. Correct the mistakes in these sentences:
 - (a) Me went to the park. (Hint: Subject pronoun)
 - (b) She gave the book to he. (Hint: Object pronoun)
- 6. Match the pronoun to its type (subject, object, possessive, demonstrative):
 - (a) This
 - (b) Hers
 - (c) Him
 - (d) We

3 Conjunctions: The Sentence Connectors

3.1 What is a Conjunction?

A conjunction **joins** words, phrases, or sentences. It's like glue for your words!

Ravi and Sita play.

3.2 Types and Uses

We'll learn five conjunctions:

- And: Adds similar things. I like tea and coffee.
- **Or:** Shows a choice. *Do you want tea or juice?*
- But: Shows contrast. I want to go, but I'm tired.
- **So:** Shows a result. *I was hungry, so I ate.*
- **Because:** Shows a reason. *I stayed home because it rained.*

Don't start a sentence with "because" unless it's a full explanation. Wrong: "Because I was tired." Right: "I stayed home because I was tired."

Ask: Am I adding (and), choosing (or), contrasting (but), showing a result (so), or giving a reason (because)?

3.3 Try It Out!

Practice Time!

Join words and sentences like a pro with these conjunction exercises!

- 1. Fill in the blanks with the correct conjunction (and, or, but, so, because):
 - (a) I want to play _ I am tired.
 - (b) I stayed home __ it was raining.
 - (c) Do you like tea __ coffee?
 - (d) I studied hard, __ I passed the test.
- 2. Join these sentences using the conjunction in brackets:
 - (a) Ravi likes football. Sita likes football. (and)
 - (b) I can sing. I can dance. (or)
- 3. Choose the correct conjunction:

- (a) I was late __ (because/so) the bus broke down.
- (b) I like apples _ (but/or) not bananas.
- 4. Write two sentences: one using "but" and one using "because".
- 5. Correct the mistake:
 - (a) Because I was sick. (Hint: Complete the sentence)

4 Articles: The Tiny Helpers

4.1 What is an Article?

Articles are small words (a, an, the) used before nouns. They tell us if the noun is general or specific.

I saw **an** apple. **The** sun is bright.

4.2 Types and Uses

- A: Before singular nouns with a consonant sound. A dog, a book.
- An: Before singular nouns with a vowel sound (a, e, i, o, u). An apple, an hour.
- The: For specific nouns, singular or plural. The sun, the books.
- Omitting the Article: No article for general plural or uncountable nouns. *Cats are cute.*

Use "an" for vowel **sounds**, not just vowels. Example: "an hour" (silent "h", vowel sound), but "a house" (consonant sound). Don't use "a" with plurals (wrong: "a cats").

Say the word out loud. Vowel sound? Use "an". Consonant sound? Use "a". Specific noun? Use "the".

4.3 Try It Out!

Practice Time!

Master articles with these fun exercises! Try them all.

- 1. Fill in with "a", "an", or "the":
 - (a) I saw __ elephant in the zoo.
 - (b) _ sun rises in the east.

- (c) She ate __ apple.
- (d) _ books on the shelf are mine.
- 2. Write a sentence without an article. Example: Dogs are loyal.
- 3. Choose the correct article:
 - (a) _ (A/An) honest man helped me.
 - (b) _ (A/The) moon is bright tonight.
- 4. Correct the mistakes:
 - (a) I have a cats. (Hint: Check plural)
 - (b) She saw an university. (Hint: Check sound)
- 5. Write two sentences: one with "an" and one with "the".

5 Types of Sentences: Say It Your Way

5.1 What is a Sentence?

A sentence is a group of words that makes complete sense. Different sentences do different jobs!

The sky is blue. (tells) Close the door. (commands)

5.2 Types and Uses

- Declarative: Tells something. Ends with (.). The sky is blue.
- **Imperative:** Gives a command or request. Ends with (.). *Close the door.*
- Exclamatory: Shows excitement. Ends with (!). What a beautiful flower!
- **Interrogative:** Asks a question. Ends with (?). *Where is my book?*

Exclamatory shows excitement ("Wow!"), but interrogative asks something ("What?"). Check the punctuation!

Look at the punctuation: (.) for declarative/imperative, (?) for interrogative, (!) for exclamatory.

5.3 Try It Out!

Practice Time!

Practice all types of sentences to express yourself clearly!

- 1. Identify the sentence type (declarative, imperative, exclamatory, interrogative):
 - (a) Sit down now.
 - (b) What a lovely day!
 - (c) Where is my pencil?
 - (d) The cat is sleeping.
- 2. Write one sentence for each type:
 - (a) Declarative
 - (b) Imperative
 - (c) Exclamatory
 - (d) Interrogative
- 3. Choose the correct punctuation:
 - (a) How old are you (¿/?)
 - (b) What a big dog $(\cdot/!)$
- 4. Correct the mistakes:
 - (a) Open the door? (Hint: Check punctuation)
 - (b) I am happy! (Hint: Check sentence type)

6 Tenses: When Things Happen

6.1 What is a Tense?

Tenses tell us when something happens: now (present), before (past), or later (future).

I play (now). I played (before). I will play (later).

6.2 Types and Uses

- **Simple Present:** For habits or facts. Form: Subject + verb (add "-s" for he/she/it). *I play football.*
- **Simple Past:** For things that happened. Form: Subject + verb + "-ed" (regular) or irregular form. *I played football*.
- **Simple Future:** For things that will happen. Form: Subject + "will" + verb. *I will play football.*

Don't add "-ed" to irregular verbs! Wrong: "goed". Right: "went". Check irregular verb lists (go \rightarrow went, sing \rightarrow sang).

For past tense, if the verb ends in "-e", add "-d" (like \rightarrow liked). For future, always use "will" before the verb.

6.3 Try It Out!

Practice Time!

Master tenses with these exercises! Practice makes perfect.

- 1. Fill in with the correct tense of the verb in brackets:
 - (a) I _ (play) football every day. (present)
 - (b) She __ (sing) yesterday. (past)
 - (c) We _ (visit) the zoo tomorrow. (future)
 - (d) He _ (run) in the park last week. (past)
- 2. Choose the correct tense:
 - (a) She _ (dance/dances) every evening. (present)
 - (b) I _ (will go/goed) to school tomorrow. (future)
- 3. Write one sentence for each tense (present, past, future).
- 4. Correct the mistakes:
 - (a) I goed to the park. (Hint: Irregular verb)
 - (b) She will sings tomorrow. (Hint: Future tense form)
- 5. Match the sentence to its tense:
 - (a) I eat rice daily. (present/past/future)
 - (b) We will swim tomorrow. (present/past/future)

7 Prepositions: Where and When

7.1 What is a Preposition?

A preposition shows **where** or **when** something is. It connects a noun/pronoun to another word.

The book is **on** the table.

7.2 Types and Uses

- Prepositions of Time:
 - o In: Months, years, parts of day. In April, in the morning.
 - o On: Days, dates. On Monday, on 5th May.
 - At: Specific times. At 5 o'clock.
- Prepositions of Place:
 - **In:** Inside something. *In the room.*
 - o **On:** On a surface. On the table.
 - **At:** Specific point. *At the door.*
- **Between vs. Among:** Between (two things): *Between the chairs.* Among (more than two): *Among the trees.*
- **Below vs. Under:** Below (lower than): *Below the window.* Under (directly beneath): *Under the table.*
- Over vs. Above: Over (covering): Over the bridge. Above (higher up): Above the clouds.
- **Near vs. Next to:** Near (close by): *Near the park.* Next to (right beside): *Next to the shop.*

Don't use "in" for specific times (wrong: "in 5 o'clock"). Use "at". Use "between" for two, "among" for more than two.

For time: "in" for big periods (months), "on" for days, "at" for exact times. For place: "in" for inside, "on" for surfaces, "at" for points.

7.3 Try It Out!

Practice Time!

Become a preposition pro with these exercises! Try them all.

- 1. Fill in with the correct preposition (in, on, at, between, among, below, under, over, above, near, next to):
 - (a) The cat is __ the table.
 - (b) I'll meet you __ 6 p.m.
 - (c) The book is __ the two chairs.
 - (d) The plane flies __ the clouds.
- 2. Choose the correct preposition:

- (a) I live _ (near/next to) the school.
- (b) The ball is _ (under/below) the bed.
- 3. Write two sentences: one using "among" and one using "over".
- 4. Correct the mistakes:
 - (a) I'll see you in Monday. (Hint: Time preposition)
 - (b) The toy is between the trees. (Hint: Number of items)
- 5. Match the preposition to its use (time or place):
 - (a) In the morning
 - (b) On the table
 - (c) At the park

Keep Practicing!

You're doing awesome! Keep practicing these questions and reread the tips if you get stuck. You're on your way to becoming a grammar superhero!