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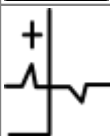
Languages organize their parts of speech into classes according to their functions and positions relative to other parts. All languages, for instance, make a basic distinction between a **group** of words that prototypically denotes things and concepts and a **group** of words that prototypically denotes actions and events. The first **group**, which includes English words **such** as “dog” and “song”, are usually called **nouns**. The second, which includes “think” and “sing”, are called **verbs**. Another common category is the **adjective**: words that describe properties or qualities of **nouns**, **such** as “red” or “big”. Word classes can **be** “open” if new words can continuously **be** added to the class, or relatively “closed” if there is a fixed number of words in a class. In English, the class of **pronouns** is closed, whereas the class of **adjectives** is open, since **an** infinite number of **adjectives** can **be** constructed from **verbs** (e.g. “saddened”) or **nouns** (e.g. with the -like suffix, as in “**noun**-like”). In other languages **such** as Korean, the situation is the opposite, and new **pronouns** can **be** constructed, whereas the number of **adjectives** is fixed.

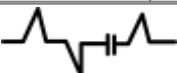
- 1. **noun**
- 2. **pronoun**
- 3. **Adjective**
- 4. **verb**
- 5. adverb
- 6. **preposition**
- 7. conjunction
- 8. interjection

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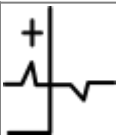
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