

- Language Skills GUM Final Assessment – Study Guide

- A **noun** is a person place or thing.
- A **Transitive Verb** is an action verb that has a direct object.  
Ex: We **studied** bats in our science class.
- A **being verb** doesn't show action but tells something about what the subject is.
  - Ex: May **was** a very warm month.
- In a sentence, a verb MUST AGREE with its subject in NUMBER  
\*\*A singular subject takes a singular verb; plural subject takes a plural verb\*\*
  - Singular Ex: Jason rehearses his song.
  - Plural Ex: The girls have their costumes ready to go.
- **Adjectives** – words that describe a noun or a pronoun.
  - Ex: My **fancy** cat has **clean** fur
- **Adverb** – a word that describes a verb, an adjective, or another adverb.
  - Ex: **Then** the dog stopped **suddenly**.
- **Predicate adjective** – an adjective that follows a linking verb and modifies, or describes, the subject.
  - Ex: That monkey seems **intelligent**.
- **Interjections** – words that express strong feeling.
  - Ex: oops, ouch, yes, wow, hooray
- **Good** = ALWAYS AN ADJECTIVE
  - Ex: They are a **good** band.
- **Well** = is usually used as an ADVERB. When it means “in good health” = adjective.
  - Ex: He plays the **guitar** well.
- Better = compares two things
  - Ex: Which do you like better, Coke or Pepsi?
- Best = compares 3 or more things.
  - Ex: Angel hair pasta is the best type of pasta noodle.
- **Titles with Italics/Underlining and Quotation Marks**
- **Italics** = titles of books, magazines, newspapers, movies, works of art, names of vehicles
  - Ex: Did you read the cover of the *New York Times*?
- **“Quotation Marks”** = chapters in books, articles in magazines, short stories, poems, songs.
  - Ex: I really like the song “Don’t Stop Believing” by Journey.
- CAPITALIZE ALL PROPER NOUNS. ALWAYS CAPITALIZE “I” when it is by itself.

- **Common Noun (c) vs. Proper Noun (P)**
- **→What's the difference??**
  - **Ex: girl = c ; Katy Perry = P Ex: city = c; Pittsburgh = P**
- **LOOK THROUGH GREEN GRAMMAR BOOK PGS. L407-424 TO SEE WHAT SPECIFIC GROUPS OF NOUNS NEED CAPITALIZED.**
- **SENTENCE STRUCTURE**
- **Simple Sentence** = a sentence that has one subject and one verb.
  - **EX: I enjoyed swimming yesterday.**
- **Compound Sentence** = made up of two simple sentences usually joined by a comma and the coordinating conjunction and, but, or or.
  - **Ex: The pool water was cold, and we could not go swimming.**
- **Run-on Sentence** = is two or more sentences that are written as one sentence. They are separated by a comma or have NO punctuation at all.
  - **Ex: My brother is shorter than me when we were younger he was taller I am the taller one now.**