Confusing Parts Of Speech

Class Objective: To be aware of the usage of some words in different parts of speech and use them correctly.

A word belongs to a particular part of speech based on its function. Here are some examples of how the same words can be used as different parts of speech.

ABOUT

Adverb: They wandered about in sheepskins.

Preposition: There is something pleasing about him.

AFTER

Adverb: They arrived soon after.

Preposition: He takes after his father.

Adjective: After ages shall sing his glory.

Conjunction: We went away after they had left.

ALL

Adjective: All men are mortal.

Adverb: He was all alone when I saw him.

Pronoun: All spoke in his favour. **Noun**: He lost his all in speculation.

ANY

Adjective: Are there any witnesses present?

Pronoun: Does any of you know anything about it?

Adverb: Is that any better?

BEFORE

Adverb: I have seen you before.

Preposition: He came before the appointed time. **Conjunction**: He went away before I came.

EITHER

Adjective: Either bat is good enough.

Pronoun: Ask either of them.

Conjunction: He must either work or starve.

ENOUGH

Adjective: There is enough time and to spare. **Adverb:** You know well enough what I mean.

Noun: I have had enough of this.

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