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Determining a Word's Part of Speech**EXERCISE Recognizing Parts of Speech**

In each sentence below, put a line under any examples of the part of speech indicated in the parentheses following the sentence. **Hint:** Although they are adjectives, do not underline the articles *a*, *an*, and *the*.

EXAMPLE When you look through a stereoscope at a pair of two-dimensional images, they seem to be three-dimensional. (preposition)

Remember that although many adjectives come right before the noun they modify, some do not. **Predicate adjectives** follow a linking verb to modify the subject of a sentence.

Examples:

The stereoscope was *dusty*.

It seemed *broken*.

1. Sir David Brewster, the scientist who invented the first practical stereoscope, was British. (adjective)
2. The famous American writer Oliver Wendell Holmes developed a simpler type of stereoscope that was held in the viewer's hand. (noun)
3. Because Holmes's design could be produced inexpensively, it became very popular. (adverb)
4. I once bought an old Holmes-type stereoscope that I found when I was in an antique store. (verb)
5. What do you call the type of photographs that people used in their stereoscopes? (pronoun)
6. Oh, I remember now; they're called "stereographs." (interjection)
7. Both extraordinary events (such as battles) and familiar ones (such as children playing) were popular subjects. (conjunction)
8. The famous images that Mathew Brady exhibited of the battle of Antietam during the Civil War were made as stereographs. (noun)
9. In addition to serious subjects, the old stereographs also present humor—like a series of scenes showing a practical joke. (preposition)
10. I myself have not seen any of them. (pronoun)
11. World's fairs were really popular subjects for stereographs once and were often sold as souvenirs. (adverb)
12. According to this article, you can make simple stereographs fairly easily with two disposable cameras. (preposition)
13. This technique sounds easy and fun, but I haven't tried it. (conjunction)
14. The stereoscope may have gone out of fashion, but 3-D movies are very popular today. (verb)
15. When I look through a stereoscope, even an old-fashioned scene seems so detailed and real. (adjective)