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Grammar terms

active	when the person or thing doing the action is the main topic of the sentence
adjectives	the words used to describe people or things; red, small, square
adverb	a word that describes where, when, or how something happens; quickly, easily, well, fast, very, really
article	the words a and an (the indefinite article) and the (the definite article)
clause	a part of a sentence that has a verb in it
comparative	the form of an adjective to say that something is more of something
conditional	talking about possible actions and situations, and the results of those actions and situations
conjunction	a word that connects other words or sentences; and, but, or, because, so
consonant	the letters b, c, d, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, p, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y, z and their sounds
conversational	talking in an informal way
countable	a noun that we can count or number
demonstrative	pointing out an object or person; this, that, these, those
determiner	referring to a noun without describing it; one, ones, another, other, others
formal	talking with a high standard of correctness in an important or serious situation
imperative	telling, asking, or inviting somebody to do something
indirect speech	reporting what someone has said
infinitive	the basic form of the verb
irregular	a word that does not have the usual plural or verb forms
modal verb	a verb used with another verb to express ability, possibility, or necessity; can, could, was able to, managed to, should, must, have to
noun	the word used to name people or things
object	the person or thing in a sentence that is affected by the action
passive	when the person or thing doing the action is not the subject of the verb
phrasal verb	a verb joined with an adverb to make a verb with a new meaning
plural	the form of a word when there is more than one

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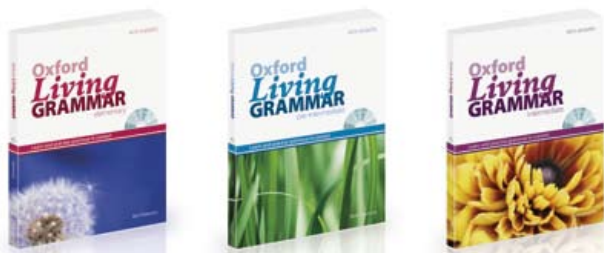
possessive	adjectives and pronouns used to indicate ownership; my, mine, her, hers, 's, of mine
preposition	a word used to describe where, when, or how; at, in, on, by, for
prepositional verb	a verb joined with a preposition to make a verb with a new meaning
pronoun	a word used in place of a noun; I, me, she, him, them, it
quantifier	a word used to indicate how much/many of something there is; all, most, some, a lot of, any, a few, a little, much, many, none, no
question tag	words added to the end of a sentence turning it into a question to check what we are saying is true or correct
question word	where, when, what, why, how, which, who, whose
reflexive pronoun	a word used to refer back to the subject, to emphasize that the subject did the action; myself, yourself, himself, ourselves, themselves
regular	a word that has the usual plural or verb forms
relative clause	a word used to identify a person or thing, or to add further information; which, that, who, where, when, whose
reported speech	reporting something that someone else has said from our own point of view
singular	the form of a word when there is only one
subject	the person or thing in a sentence that does the action
superlative	the form of an adjective to say that something is the most of something
uncountable	a noun we cannot count or number
vowel	the letters a, e, i, o, u and their sounds

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