

Vocabulary

Study the words and definitions below.

- common nouns** nouns that name a general class of persons (*boys, children*), places (*playgrounds, schools*), things (*apples, bicycles*), or ideas (*love, truth*)
- complete sentence** a group of words that has a subject and verb and that is a complete thought (*John ran. Juanita thought about the college she would attend.*)
- editing** the second step in the process of fine tuning your writing; checking the grammar, punctuation, and spelling of your writing
- noun and pronoun agreement** making pronouns match the nouns they refer to; pronouns must match their nouns in case, gender, and number (*Juanita jumped for joy after she won her first state tennis tournament.*)
- nouns** words that name a person, place, thing, or an idea
- possessives** words that show ownership or possession (*his car, her scholarship*)

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- proofreading** the third step in the process of fine tuning your writing; checking for typos, omitted words, and other “accidents” on the page
- proper nouns** nouns that name specific persons (*John Steinbeck*), places (*Florida*), or things (*Model T Ford*)
- revising** the process of fine-tuning your writing; improving the content, organization, and language of your writing
- run-on sentence** two or more sentences that are joined together without punctuation marks to separate them (*John ran to the store Juanita stayed to watch the football game.*)
- subject and verb agreement** making the verb of a sentence match its subject (*Shelby **advises** the doctors. Shelby and Stacy **advise** the doctors.*)
- verb** words which tell what the action is in a sentence; also called a predicate