

Varied Fluency

Step 3: Noun or Verb?

Teaching Note

We recommend teaching the terminology of *noun and verb* in Year 1 so that children understand the difference between the word types and the jobs that they have within sentences. The resources for this step will include the terminology of *noun and verb*.

Differentiation:

Developing Questions to support recognising nouns and verbs. Using CVC and CCVC/CVCC words.

Expected Questions to support recognising nouns and verbs. Using high frequency or phonetically decodable words.

Greater Depth Questions to support recognising nouns and verbs. Includes some compound nouns and irregular verbs. Using some words which are not easily decodable.

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Noun or Verb?

1a. Sort the words into the table.

Verb	Noun

pan

skip

hop

ball



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Noun or Verb?

1b. Sort the words into the table.

Verb	Noun

jump

sock

bun

run



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2a. Write down the verb and the noun shown in this picture.



girl

cup

swim



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2b. Write down the verb and the noun shown in this picture.



skip

ship

girl



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3a. Which of these words is the verb? Tick the correct box.



sing

girl



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3b. Which of these words is the noun? Tick the correct box.



sing

boy



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Noun or Verb?

4a. Sort the words into the table.

Verb	Noun

singing

bucket

spider

eat



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Noun or Verb?

4b. Sort the words into the table.

Verb	Noun

baby

dancing

shout

tree



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5a. Write down a verb and a noun shown in this picture.



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5b. Write down a verb and a noun shown in this picture.



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6a. Which of these words is the verb? Tick the correct box.



flower

dancing

fan



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6b. Which of these words is the verb? Tick the correct box.



playing

tune

girl



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Noun or Verb?

7a. Sort the words into the table.

Verb	Noun

ice cream

crawling

whisper

sand castle

king

drinking



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Noun or Verb?

7b. Sort the words into the table.

Verb	Noun

baking

bear

screaming

bus stop

spider web

creep



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8a. Write down two verbs and two nouns shown in this picture.



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8b. Write down two verbs and two nouns shown in this picture.



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9a. Which of these words are verbs? Tick the correct boxes.



painting

paints

brush

laughing



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9b. Which of these words are verbs? Tick the correct boxes.



swings

swinging

happy

smiling



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Developing

- 1a. verb – hop, skip; noun – pan, ball
- 2a. verb – swim; noun – girl
- 3a. sing

Expected

- 4a. verb – singing, eat; noun – bucket, spider
- 5a. Various answers, for example: verb – riding/cycling; noun – girl, bike
- 6a. dancing

Greater Depth

- 7a. verb – whisper, crawling, drinking; noun – ice cream, king, sand castle
- 8a. Various answers, for example: verb – skating, moving; noun – helmet, roller skates
- 9a. Painting; laughing. Paints can be either a noun or a verb, so can be ticked.

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Developing

- 1b. verb – jump, run; noun – bun, sock
- 2b. verb – skip; noun – girl
- 3b. boy

Expected

- 4b. verb – shout, dancing; noun – baby, tree
- 5b. Various answers, for example: verb – swimming / snorkelling; noun – flippers, trunks, boy
- 6b. playing

Greater Depth

- 7b. verb – baking, screaming, creep; noun – spider web, bear, bus stop
- 8b. Various answers, for example: verb – spinning, standing; noun – boy, ball
- 9b. Swinging; smiling Swings can be either a noun or a verb, so can be ticked.