

Year 6 English Assessment: Nouns and Verbs

Learning objective: To identify, classify, and apply complex nouns and verbs accurately within sentences.

Read each question carefully. Ensure your spelling and grammar are accurate. Check your work before submitting.

Max the monkey sat in the jungle canopy. He watched a chatter of monkeys swinging through the trees. 'Bravery is essential,' Max thought, as he observed a pride of lions resting in the long grass. He decided he must solve the puzzle of the forest floor, so he carefully mapped the route.

Word bank: Abstract Noun · Collective Noun · Modal Verb · Active Voice · Passive Voice · Suffix

1. Identify one collective noun from the passage and explain what it refers to. (2 marks)

2. Find an abstract noun in the passage. Explain why it is considered an abstract noun rather than a concrete noun. (3 marks)

3. Locate the modal verb in the passage. How does this verb change the meaning of the sentence? (3 marks)

4. Convert the following sentence from active voice to passive voice: 'Kit the fox solved the complex maths puzzle.' (3 marks)

5. Identify two verbs in the passage that show the past tense. Change these verbs into the present progressive form. (4 marks)

6. Write a short paragraph (4–5 sentences) about an adventure involving Pip the bookworm. You must include at least two abstract nouns and two collective nouns. Underline your chosen nouns. (10 marks)

Draw: Draw a scene featuring Max the monkey and Pip the bookworm. Label one object with a concrete noun and write a speech bubble for Max that uses a modal verb.



Extension challenge: Total: /25. Challenge: Rewrite your paragraph from the final question using the passive voice where possible. How does this change the tone of your writing?