The 8 Parts of Speech Diagnostic Assessment

Directions: On the line to the left of the sentence, write the word that is the part of speech indicated in parenthesis.

Example: ______ exploded ___(ex) (verb) The Blue Streaks running back exploded off the line of scrimmage.

1. _____________________(preposition) He walked around the corner.

2. _____________________(pronoun) Paul hopes that she will sing with the choir.

3. _____________________(pronoun) Can Jerry help him with the science project?

4. _____________________(noun) Have you seen the eraser?

5. _____________________(noun) The lock was stuck.

6. _____________________(noun) She purchased the ice cream with him.

7. _____________________(adjective) Older people tire more easily.

8. _____________________(adjective) Steven is honest.

9. _____________________(adjective) Kind people are often rewarded.

10. _____________________(adverb) The officer ran fast.

11. _____________________(adverb) My sister answered the questions intelligently.

12. _____________________(adverb) You really should see this art exhibit, Kenny.

13. _____________________(preposition) Reggie tripped down the stairs.

14. _____________________(preposition) Can you jump over the hurdle?

15. _____________________(preposition) May I sit between you two?

16. _____________________(verb) Ask the question.

17. _____________________(verb) The store overcharged me.

18. _____________________(verb) Jimmy, eat your spaghetti.

19. _____________________(conjunction) I cannot go, for I have too much to do.

20. _____________________(conjunction) I like peanuts and potato chips.
Directions: On the line to the left, write the part of speech of the underlined word. To the right, substitute a different word for the underlined word.

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1. _______________ They attended the concert last weekend.____________________
2. _______________ Several cats ran into Rob’s garage.________________________
3. _______________ The truck driver delivered the package quickly._____________
4. _______________ Fast runners won all the awards at the track meet.____________
5. _______________ My friend and I walked home after school.__________________
6. _______________ I wanted a peanut butter and jelly sandwich for lunch.________
7. _______________ She was counting the ballots during civics class._____________
8. _______________ Hey! That was my seat.__________________________________
9. _______________ Will they finish the test on time?__________________________
10. _____________ The diagram was fairly complicated._____________________
11. _______________ He will practice his musical piece soon.__________________
12. _______________ Ronnie saw the awesome sight from the air._______________
13. _______________ Her sister is the oldest member of the group._______________
14. _______________ Check the score, Tom.___________________________________
15. _______________ Will the students find the answers themselves?_____________
16. _______________ The child asked for the bike and the scooter._______________
17. _______________ They slowly carried the couch down the stairs._____________
18. _______________ Sherry talked on the phone until midnight._______________
19. _______________ Hurray! Our team has finally scored a goal._______________
20. _______________ The troops scattered throughout the woods._______________

What do you find most difficult or misunderstand about the eight parts of speech? Please explain in detail.