

**Syntax-** The description of how words, phrases, and clauses are constructed and combined in a language

**Morphology-** The part of grammar explaining how morphemes are put together to construct words.

**Grammar-** The analysis of the structure of phrases and sentences.

**Morphemes-** Parts of words, i.e. stems, prefixes, and suffixes. For example, un + friend + ly contains three morphemes: a prefix un, a stem friend, and a suffix ly.

**Syntax-** The part of grammar dealing with different grammatical units ( words, phrases, clauses, and sentences) is known also as

**A clause-** consists of one or more phrases

**A phrase-** consists of one or more words

**A word-**consists of one or more morphemes.

**Lexical words-**are (nouns, lexical verbs, adjectives, and adverbs)

**functional words-** They usually indicate meaning relationships and help us interpret units containing lexical words, by showing how the units are related to each other

**Inserts-**Words that are found mainly in spoken language

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**A suffix-** The morpheme attached to the end of word

**Determiners**- Words that normally precedes nouns, and are used to help clarify the meaning of the noun

**The definite article 'the'**- Indicates that the referent is assumed to be known by the speaker and the person being spoken to (addressee).

**The indefinite article 'a' or 'an'**- Makes it clear that the referent is one member of a class.

**Demonstrative determiners**- Indicate that the referent are 'near to' or 'away from' the speaker's immediate

**Pronoun**- They fill the position of a noun or a whole noun phrase.

**A phrase** - One or more words that occur together in a sentence and that we recognize as somehow working together as a unit.

**An adjective**- is a word that describes or modifies a noun

**The direct object**- A noun phrase that follows a transitive verb

**A predicate nominative**- In traditional grammar, a noun phrase that follows a linking verb, such as an architect

**Predicate adjective**- An adjective that follows a linking verb, such as uncomfortable

**Compounding**- The combination of lexical categories (nouns, adjective, verbs, or prepositions).

**Morphemes** - Smallest linguistic unit that has meaning or grammatical function.

**Function morphemes-** Morphemes that provide information about the grammatical relationships of words

**Derivational morphemes-** Morphemes that change the meaning or lexical category of the words to which they attach

**Inflectional morphemes-** Morphemes that serve a purely grammatical function, never creating a new word but only a different form of the same word

**Allomorph-** Nondistinctive realizations of a particular morpheme that have the same function and are phonetically similar