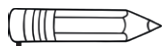


Word Classes

Does your text include the following word classes...

determiners?	
nouns?	
adjectives?	
verbs?	
adverbs?	
pronouns?	
possessive pronouns?	
conjunctions?	
prepositions?	



Adverbs

(words that describe how, when or where a verb is being done)

usually stealthily
upstairs soon next
cruelly then

Verbs

(action or doing words)

jump swim speak run dance
sing sleep move sit breathe think

Nouns and Proper Nouns

(common and proper names of people, places, things and ideas)

school town cat dog pencil bed
London France flower lion

Adjectives

(words that describe nouns)

dull modern rough light
miniature pale cloudy

Conjunctions

(words that join words, phrases, clauses or sentences)

and but when before after while
so because if that

Determiners

(words that introduce a noun)

a the an these those her
his whose some many

Possessive Pronouns

(pronouns that show possession)

mine yours his its
hers ours theirs

Pronouns

(words that take the place of a noun)

his her she I
it this he they

Prepositions

(words that link nouns, pronouns and phrases)

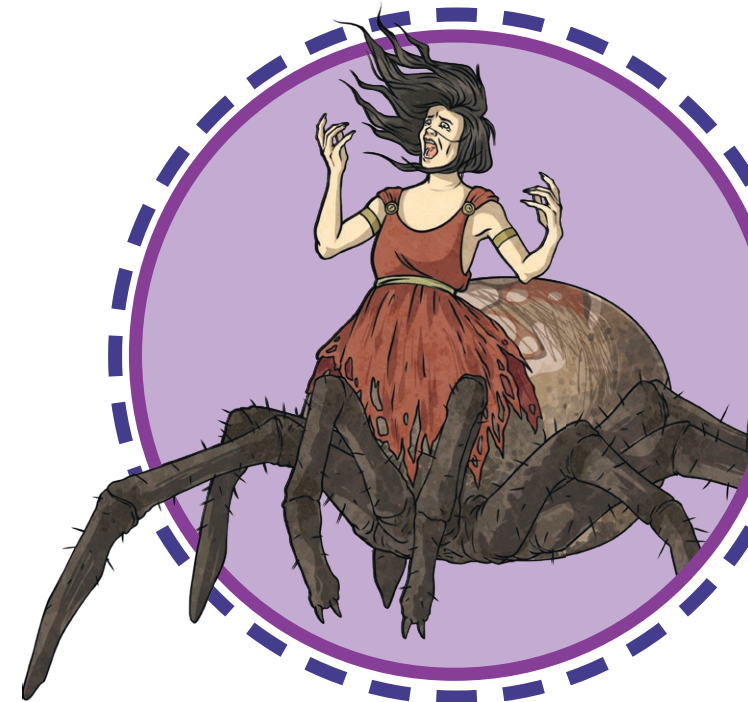
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over above next
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An excerpt from The Story of Arachne

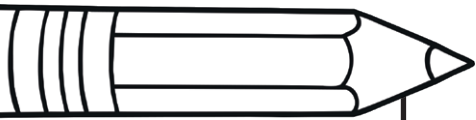
A long time ago, there lived a young Greek girl called Arachne. She was the daughter of a shepherd. From a young age, Arachne taught herself how to weave beautiful tapestries. She wove pictures of animals, flowers and landscapes. By the time she was an adult, her work was so famous that people would travel for thousands of miles to see it.

When people saw Arachne's work, they would praise her brilliance and tell her how talented she was. They were so impressed that they started to say that Arachne was like a god. Every day, people would tell Arachne over and over again how brilliant she was. The more praise she was given, the more Arachne believed that she was the best. In time, an international reputation as the best weaver was hers.

Meanwhile, at the home of the gods, the goddess Athena had heard about Arachne. She was angered by the idea that someone would say that they were more talented than a god. Confidently, Athena hatched a plan to confront Arachne.



Remember - some words can belong to different word classes in different sentences.



Some Examples of Word Classes

determiners

nouns

adjectives

verbs

adverbs

pronouns

possessive pronoun

conjunctions

prepositions