Grammatical Terms & Word Classes: Session 1

Preparation	Print out and prepare: Large Picture 1: The Great Outdoors, Large Picture 2: A Pirate's Cabin, Large Picture 3: Terry Fox Marathon, Determiners Fan, Noun or Verb? Table, Noun or Verb? Fortune Teller, Subject and Object Labels, SATs-Style Questions 1. Resources: Pens/pencils, Whiteboards, Whiteboard pens
Warm-Up	Look at Large Picture 1: The Great Outdoors together and identify nouns and verbs by scribing on a whiteboard. Possible answers include: Nouns - trees, leaves, boy, branches, trunk Verbs - walking, rustling, swaying, growing Ask the children to choose appropriate determiners (a word that comes before a noun/noun phrase) for each of the nouns using the Determiners Fans, for example: the tree, a branch, some leaves. Then, provide children with Large Picture 2: A Pirate's Cabin and ask them to do the same on their own whiteboards. Possible answers include: Nouns - treasure, gold, barrel, windows, light, chests Verbs - hiding, shining, gleaming Ask children to choose appropriate determiners for each of the nouns using the Determiners Fans, for example: the treasure, a barrel, some chests Can the child identify nouns and verbs? Can the child use appropriate determiners?
Input	Noun or Verb? Show the children Large Picture 3: Terry Fox Marathon. Again, ask them to identify nouns and verbs and list them in the relevant places on the Noun or Verb? Table. Are any of the words able to be used as nouns and verbs? Possible answers include: Nouns - hills, trees, runners, car, supporters Verbs - cheer, support, follow Words That Can Be Used as Nouns and Verbs - run, watch, drive Model using some of the nouns and verbs to write simple sentences about the picture, such as: The car is following the runners. The hills are looming in the background. Also, model using some of the words as both nouns and verbs, such as: I check my watch for the time as I watch the runners. Ask the children for their input. You may wish to prompt with questions such as: What can you see? What is happening? Using the Subject and Object Labels, identify the subject and object of the sentences together, such as: The car is following the runners.





Apply	Fortune Teller Provide the children with the Noun or Verb? Fortune Teller to make (if time is limited, these can be prepared ahead of the session). Explain that they will be using the fortune teller to write sentences using the words given as either nouns or verbs. Recap the meaning of a noun and a verb. Ask the children to use the Subject and Object Labels to identify the subject and object of their sentences. Is the child able to use nouns and verbs appropriately in sentences? Can the child identify the subject and object of a sentence?
Assess & Review	SATs-Style Question Provide children with different SATs-Style Questions 1 to answer independently and share answers. Ask them to explain how they made their decisions. Can the child independently answer SATs questions? Can the child explain their answer?



