## **Grammar Terminology**

Adverb	Adds detail to verbs, adjectives or other adverbs
Time adverb	After, next, before
Manner adverbs	Curiously, mysteriously
Place	Under, over, upstairs
Conjunction	Link ideas or clauses
Coordinating	Joins two verbs, nouns, adjectives, phrases or independent clauses For, and, nor, but, or, yet,
Subordinatin g	Adds additional information to the main clause to create a subordinate clause After, however, because,

Subject	The person or thing doing the verb
Verb	What is being done
Object	The person or thing having something done to it
•	something done to it

The fisherman caught the fish

Past progressive tense
Ongoing event that happened in the past
Was/were + verb with -ing

I was riding my bike when the accident happened

Nouns	Person, place or thing
Common	A class of objects, no capital letter (e.g. planet)
Concrete	Can be touched (e.g. table)
Abstract	Can't be touched (e.g. love)
Proper	Name of a person or place, has a capital letter (e.g. London)

Determiner	Introduces the noun
Article	Refers to the noun A, an, the
Quantifier	Indicates the quantity of the noun Some, every, five

Verb	Action word or state of being. Change the tense of a sentence
Action	Pounce, slither
State of	are, am, is, seem

Present progressive tense
Actions that are happening now, or will happen in the future
Is/are/am + ing

She is sweeping the floor at the moment

Past Tense Future

Present perfect tense
Occurred an indefinite amount of time ago or started in the past and is still continuing in the present

Have/has + past tense verb We have talked before

Punctuation	
Possession	
Contraction	
Used at the end of a complete thought or idea. ALWAYS followed with a capital letter!	
Separate items in a list	
Separate direct speech from a reporting clause	
Separate main and subordinate clauses	
After a fronted adverbial	
Inverted commas, speech, punctuation, inverted	
"What's the time?" asked the wolf.	

Phrases, sentences and clauses	
Noun	Describes the noun with an adjective
Prepositiona I noun	Describes where the noun is
Adverbial phrase	Explains where, when or how something has happened
Main clause	Must include a subject and verb and make sense by itself
Subordinate clause	Doesn't make sense by itself, is used to add extra information to the main clause

Spelling Terminology	
Antonym	Words that have opposite meanings
Synonym	Words that have similar meanings
Root word	The most basic part of the word – no prefix or suffix
Prefix	Added to the start of the word (im, in, re)
Suffix	Added to the end of the root word (ing, ed, ful)
Homophone	Words that sound the same but spelt differently



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