Parts of speech exercise

Read the instructions given with each question and find the best answer.

1. Which set of words are only nouns?

complexity, analysis, thesis, axis

ridiculous, sophisticated, anxious, complex

penance, science, monotonous, vibrancy

2. Which set of words are only adjectives?

kind, vibrant, luminance, eager

autonomous, eligible, warm, open

ridicule, ignore, captivate, enchant

3. Which set of words are only verbs?

activate, annul, propagate, surrender

emulate, dilapidated, enamor, renounce

propaganda, verify, eagerly, overt

4. Which set of words are only adverbs?

up, yesterday, hard, fatally

deadly, open, vast, thoroughly

privacy, provocatively, anxiously, well

5. Which set of words are only conjunctions?

down, out, under, with

so, because, however, yet

and, but, or, because of

6. Which set of words are only prepositions?

behind, into, when, as

between, over, across, to

from, while, whereas, near

Answers

1. a) complexity, analysis, thesis, axis

2. b) autonomous, eligible, warm, open

3. a) activate, annul, propagate, surrender

4. a) up, yesterday, hard, fatally

5. b) so, because, however, yet

6. c) between, over, across, to

Notes

Nouns are the names of people, things or places.

Adjectives are describing words.

Verbs are action words.

Conjunctions are joining words.

Adverbs are words used to modify verbs.

Prepositions are words used to join a noun to another word in the sentence.