Parts of speech exercise

What part of speech are the underlined words?

1. She thought of a wise plan. Thought is a

verb

adverb

adjective

2. I want to go now. Now is a/an

preposition

adjective

adverb

3. Where are you going? You is a

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verb

noun

pronoun

4. That was a lovely evening. Lovely is a/an

noun

adjective

adverb

5. My father works in a factory. Factory is a/an

pronoun

noun

adjective

6. She must be a stupid. Stupid is a/an

noun

adjective

verb

7. Selena is my best friend. Best is a/an

noun

adjective

adverb

8. The dress was expensive; still I bought it. Bought is a

verb

adverb

preposition

9. It is my doll. It is a/an

noun

pronoun

adjective

10. The sun gives us heat and light. Gives is a/an

verb

pronoun

adverb

11. Do it quickly. Quickly is a/an

adverb

adjective

verb

12. She went to the market to buy some vegetables. To is a/an

verb

preposition

conjunction

13. I helped him because I liked him. Because is a/an

preposition

conjunction

adverb

14. Jasmines are white in color. White is a/an

noun

adjective

pronoun

15. The cat is under the bed. Under is a/an

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preposition

conjunction

adverb

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Answers

1. Thought – verb (Thought is the past simple form of the verb think. It also has an –ing form: thinking. The word is a verb when it has present, past and participle forms.)

2. Now – adverb (Most words indicating time, place, manner, reason etc. are adverbs. Of course, this is not a good definition and some time expressions are prepositions, not adverbs. If you don't know whether a particular word is a preposition or an adverb, try this simple test. Is that word followed by a noun? If it is, then it is a preposition. Adverbs are not followed by nouns.)

3. You – personal pronoun (There are very few personal pronouns and they are: he, she, it, they, I, me, we and you. Memorize this list if you still have trouble recognizing pronouns.)

4. Lovely – adjective (A word that goes before a noun is usually an adjective. Adjectives also have comparative and superlative forms: Lovely, lovelier, loveliest)

5. Factory - noun (Nouns are the names of people, things, places etc.)

- 6. Stupid noun
- 7. Best adjective
- 8. Bought verb
- 9. It personal pronoun
- 10. Gives verb

11. Quickly - adverb (Most words ending in -ly are adverbs.)

12. To - preposition

13. Because – conjunction (A conjunction is a word used to join two clauses. There are only a limited number of conjunctions in English. Common examples are: because, as, since, when, after, before, and, but, or, yet etc.)

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14. White – adjectives (The names of colors are always adjectives.)

15. Under – preposition