

Hair and beauty vocabulary

Noun

A noun is the name of a person, animal, place, thing or idea. E.g. John, tiger, school, kettle, honesty.

They include:

Proper nouns, e.g. Carrie, Northampton College, England, May.

Common nouns, e.g. table, scissors, paper, pen, book, wax, straighteners.

Verb

A verb is a doing word, e.g. eat, write, think.

They include:

Main verbs, e.g. consult, cut, buff, chat, polish.

and 'being' words: to be, exist, understand, believe.

Auxiliary (helping) verbs, e.g. can, have, should, will.



Adjective

An adjective describes a noun or pronoun, e.g. good, fine, proud.

They include:

Describing words, e.g. petite, wavy, fine, soft.

Quantity words, e.g. one, seven, second, fifth, both, double, all, any, some.

Be careful!

Sometimes words have more than one job, for example *colour*.

- The colour really suits your skin tone.

In this sentence *colour* is a noun. It is the name of a product.

Handy hint: If you can put **a/the** before a word it is a noun.

- Today I am going to colour a client's hair.

In this sentence *colour* is a verb. It is an action.

Handy hint: If you can put **to** before a word, it is a verb.

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Here are some nouns, verbs and adjectives related to hair and beauty.

Complete the lists with other words you have learnt on your course so far.

| NOUNS | VERBS | ADJECTIVES |
|--------------|--------------|-------------------|
| cuticle | cut | curly |
| nail | massage | straight |
| bones | colour | petite |
| lamp | remove | arched |
| exfoliation | cleanse | supple |
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